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## Weekend



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Giambi allegedly admitted to using steroids.

**SportsWeekend:** Giambi reportedly admits doping; Gibbs blasts departure rumors | **24-28**

**Baseball Vote:** Owners set to vote on D.C.'s team today | **10**

### Tech the Halls:

MP3 players, cell phones, cameras and other gifts for Chrismukkah | **12**



### ENTERTAINMENT

### Closer to You: Natalie

Portman and three others gamble, win and lose at the love game in 'Closer.' Also, 'Peter Sellers'; 'The Librarian.'

>> **15-23**

### Weather > Partly Sunny



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### HOLIDAY TRADITION | POINTS OF LIGHT



GERALD HERBERT/AP

**'TIS THE SEASON:** President Bush gathered with his wife, Laura, and thousands of onlookers at the White House Thursday to light the national Christmas tree, beginning what he called a "season of hope" before the holiday. The tree, a Colorado blue spruce, is decorated with 15,000 colored lights.

## FDA Puts Brakes on Sex Patch

WASHINGTON | A hormone patch that works to restore a woman's sex drive should not be approved until more studies are completed to determine the drug's risks, federal health advisers said Thursday.

The advisers voted not to recommend approval, with several of them saying they were not satisfied with the number of women studied so far, the length of the studies and the possible benefit of the drug.

Clinical trials showed that women who applied the testosterone patch Intrinsa to their abdomen twice weekly had one more

"satisfying sexual event" per four weeks, compared with a placebo.

However, FDA staff members said benefits were modest and accompanied by concerns about health risks involving testosterone use.

Procter & Gamble Co. sought to market Intrinsa to women whose ovaries have been removed and who have lost their libido.

About 3 million women whose ovaries were removed would have been eligible to use the Intrinsa patch, according to the company. (AP)

## Kerik to Lead U.S. Security

Ex-N.Y.C. top cop picked to head sprawling department

WASHINGTON | President Bush has chosen former New York police commissioner Bernard Kerik, who helped direct the emergency response to the Sept. 11 terrorist strikes against the Twin Towers, to lead the Homeland Security Department, charged with safeguarding Americans from future attack, administration officials said Thursday.

The president also announced a new Secretary of Agriculture and received the resignation of his ambassador to the United Nations. The flurry of moves come amid a Cabinet overhaul ahead of Bush's second term.

Kerik, a former New York City police commissioner, inherits a sprawling bureaucracy from Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge, who resigned last month. The



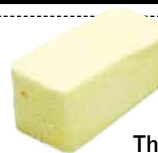
Kerik

creation of the department in 2003 combined 22 federal agencies with more than 180,000 employees. The organization is still learning to work together and faces criticism over aspects from the coordination of finances to computer systems.

Nebraska Gov. Mike Johanns emerged Thursday as Bush's choice to be agriculture secretary. The dairy farmer's son has traveled widely to promote American farm sales abroad.

Meanwhile, U.N. Ambassador John Danforth submitted his resignation after holding the job for less than six months. He had been mentioned as a candidate for secretary of state, a job Bush gave to National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice. DEB RIECHMANN (AP)

**DAIRY | Land O'Meltd-Butter Lakes** Too bad fire-fighters didn't have a pile of popcorn handy — or, better yet, loads of lobster tails. An intense fire Wednesday at the Associated Milk Producers Inc. butter packaging plant in New Ulm, Minn., sent



melted butter flowing out of the facility. Officials worked to keep the slick streams from the plant, which was holding an estimated 3 million pounds of butter, from interfering with a nearby railroad.

There were no immediate reports of injuries. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

# eyeOpeners

## MARRIAGE

### Til a Drunken Bar Fight Do Us Part

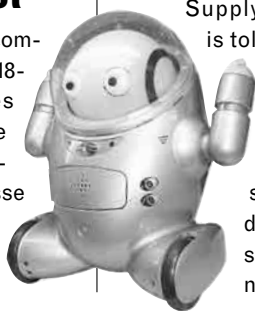
A British couple's wedded bliss lasted just 90 minutes, ended by a brawl that led to the groom's arrest, the Sun reported. Trouble began after Scott McKie, 23, of Bramhall toasted the bridesmaids, officials said. His new

wife Victoria, 39, was upset at the choice of toast and hit him over the head with an ashtray. Fifty guests watched as Scott picked up a hatstand and threw it javelin-style at the bar, then threatened to kill his new wife. He fought with police when they showed up and was hauled down to the station. Victoria filed for divorce the next day. (EXPRESS)

## SMALL TALK

### A Real Chatterbot

Japan's elderly can now buy companionship in the form of an 18-inch robot, which provides enough small talk to stimulate their brains and prevent forgetfulness, Agence France Presse reported. The Snuggling Ifbot, which hit stores Wednesday and costs \$5,600, has the con-



versation skill of a 5-year-old, according to its maker, Nagoya-based Dream Supply. If Snuggling Ifbot is told, "I'm bored today," it may respond, "What do you want to do?" To "Isn't it nice today?" it could say, "It is a fine autumn day," by detecting the season from its internal clock. (EXPRESS)



## RECREATION

### Games Are a Real Hit With Convicts

Missouri's violent criminals will no longer have access to video games such as "Hitman: Contracts." Officials on Wednesday pulled 35 of more than 80 Sony PlayStation 2 games from the recreation center at the state's maximum-security facility after being told they simulate murder, carjackings and the killing of police officers. The center's superintendent said the games had not been closely reviewed, and prison officials believed the violence in the games was cartoonish. In "Hitman: Contracts," players use weapons ranging from meat hooks to pistols to carry out brutal contract killings. (AP)



LORIM NICHOLS/AP

## WEATHER

### Half the Man He Used to Be

Even the stoutest of cowpokes couldn't withstand the harsh, blustery winds in Pilesgrove, N.J., on Wednesday. The 40-year-old Cowtown Cowboy statue, outside of a Cowtown Rodeo store, had its upper half blown onto a highway as gusts from a strong cold front knocked out power, toppled trees and damaged a few buildings across the region. (AP)

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# Nation

## Americans Using More Medications

Report finds more than 40 percent of people on a prescription drug

WASHINGTON | Americans are cramming their medicine chests ever fuller in the struggle to lower cholesterol, treat depression, reduce inflammation and ease other illnesses.

More than 40 percent of the population is taking at least one prescription drug and one person in every six takes three or more, the government said Thursday. Both figures are up about 5 percentage points in recent years.

The report, "Health, United States 2004," presents the latest data collected by CDC, the National Center for Health Statistics and dozens of other federal health agencies and health organizations.

Nearly half of all women reported taking at least one prescription drug during the month before being surveyed — 49 percent — compared with 39 percent of men.

The report also said the percent of adults using antidepressants nearly tripled to 10 percent of women and 4 percent of men aged 18 and over. RANDOLPH E. SCHMID (AP)

**Drug numbers:** Report finds antidepressant use by U.S. adults soars | Today's Washington Post, A Section

## Bush Firm on Iraq Election

President rejects calls for a delay in next month's planned polls

WASHINGTON | President Bush rejected calls for a delay in next month's Iraqi elections, insisting Thursday that the vote was too important to put off even though violence and chaos still grip much of the country.

"It's time for the Iraqi citizens to go to the polls," Bush said.

Bush predicted Iraq's elections would leave the world "amazed that a society has been transformed so quickly," but he did not explain why



President Bush answer questions from reporters in Washington Thursday.

he was so adamant that balloting go forward as scheduled Jan. 30.

A number of Iraqi political parties have urged delay.

The president also weighed in on Ukraine's election crisis, saying more forcefully than before that other countries must not meddle as Ukraine sorts through its disputed vote and contemplates a new one. A runoff election last month sparked massive protests that have paralyzed the government.

"I think any election, if there is one, ought to be free from any foreign influence," Bush said, raising the stakes in what has become a proxy battle between Washington and Moscow. Both governments see

the outcome as vital to their influence in the region.

Bush spoke in the Oval Office at the start of a meeting with Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo.

As for the Iraqi election, Bush last week said he hoped the Jan. 30 balloting would not be postponed, even though 17 political parties in Iraq have urged the interim government to put it off for at least six months.

But Bush was firmer than ever.

"The elections should not be postponed," he said. "It's time for the Iraqi citizens to go to the polls and that's why we are very firm on the Jan. 30 date." SCOTT LINDLAW (AP)

**Standing firm:** President Bush dismisses talk of delaying the election date in Iraq, citing the need to bring U.S. forces home | Today's Washington Post, A Section

### NEW YORK | HOT WHEELS



**LITTLE FAN:** Seven-year-old Brian Smith waves two checkered flags over Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s car, part of a NASCAR display in New York City on Thursday. NASCAR wraps up its season with an awards dinner Friday in Manhattan.

## Closed Hearing for Soldiers Accused Of Iraqi's Death

FORT CARSON, COLO. | Citing national security, the Army closed a hearing Thursday on whether three soldiers will be court-martialed for allegedly suffocating an Iraqi general during an interrogation last year.

Allowing the public and the media to observe "would cause serious damage to national security" and could jeopardize the defendants' safety, investigating officer Capt. Robert Ayers said.

There was no word on when a decision would be made in the preliminary military hearing. (AP)

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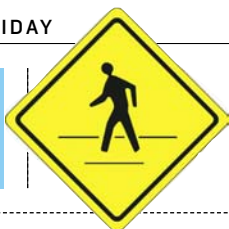
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**DON'T WALK:** Cities in the South and West are the most dangerous for pedestrians, according to a report by the Surface Transportation Policy Project. The most dangerous was Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla., with 3.69 deaths per 100,000 people in 2002-2003.

## Methodist Minister Defrocked

Church finds lesbian guilty of violating ban on actively gay clergy

PUGHTOWN, PA. | A lesbian minister in the United Methodist Church who lives with her partner was found guilty Thursday of violating a church ban on actively gay clergy and defrocked.

A 13-member jury made up of Methodist clergy convicted



Stroud

ed the Rev. Irene Elizabeth Stroud on the second day of her church trial. Methodist law bars "self-avowed, practicing homosexuals" from ministry. Nine votes were necessary for a conviction and the jury voted 12-1 to find Stroud guilty.

It then voted 7-6 to defrock Stroud, the bare majority necessary in the penalty phase of the trial, though her supportive congregation in Philadelphia has said Stroud can continue performing most of her duties.

"I did not go into this trial expecting to win," Stroud said. "I went into it knowing it would be a painful moment in the life of the United Methodist Church."

Stroud has 30 days to decide whether to appeal the verdict.

The last time the denomination convicted an openly gay cleric was in 1987, when a church court defrocked the Rev. Rose Mary Denman. (AP)

## Intel Bill Push Intensifies

Negotiators working on putting legislation up for a vote in House

WASHINGTON | Two issues have House Republicans tied in a knot on the intelligence bill President Bush says he wants: military control of spy satellites and provisions that, some lawmakers say, let terrorists shield themselves with claims of political asylum.

Negotiators are working down to the wire in hopes of getting an agreement so the Republican-controlled House can vote Monday

on legislation to put the bipartisan Sept. 11 commission's recommendations into law. If the House goes ahead, the Senate would act Tuesday, sending Bush legislation that would set up a national intelligence director and a national counterterrorism center.

Still standing in the way, however, are House Armed Services Committee chairman Duncan Hunter and House Judiciary Committee chairman James Sensenbrenner, both Republicans. Despite entreaties from the White House to support the bill, the lawmakers remain key opponents.

Bush, in a call Thursday to House Speaker Dennis Hastert and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist told them he wants an intelligence bill completed.

Sens. Susan Collins and Joseph Lieberman, the lead Senate negotiators, say they are not prepared to open negotiations again. Bush was expected to send Congress a letter on Friday that outlines what he wants done with the bill.

Under the legislation, the new national intelligence director would oversee the CIA as well as some Pentagon-controlled intelligence agencies. JESSE J. HOLLAND (AP)

### MINNESOTA | HELPING HANDS



**TEAMWORK:** Neighbors Walt Goodman, left, and Gerald Thilmany team up after a winter storm to use both a snow shovel and a snowblower to help clear another neighbor's snow-covered driveway on Thursday in Duluth, Minn.

## Democrats Claim Edge in Fund Raising

WASHINGTON | Capping a stunning year of record fund raising by both sides, the Democratic National Committee said Thursday it out-raised President Bush's GOP this election cycle. Its Republican rival wasn't disputing that, but noted the money didn't buy victory.

Figures the DNC planned to file with the Federal Election Commission showed the DNC

took in at least \$12 million more than the Republican National Committee since Jan. 1, 2003. The Democratic committee said it raised at least \$397 million during the period; the RNC said it took in \$385 million.

At least \$23 million of the DNC's total comes from presidential nominee John Kerry's leftover primary money. (AP)

## Judge Allows England Evidence

FORT BRAGG, N.C. | A military judge ruled Thursday that prosecutors in the court-martial of Pfc. Lynndie England may use a pair of statements she gave describing the posing of naked Iraqi prisoners as "joking around, having fun."

Defense attorneys had sought to keep out the January statements,

saying England was coerced by military interrogators who failed to fully inform her of her right to have a lawyer present.



England

The judge, Col. Stephen Henley, did agree to keep out a third statement that England made to investigators on May 5 when England had invoked her right to an attorney. (AP)

## In Brief

### FORT BRAGG, N.C.

#### Judge Allows Soldier's Admission of Grenade Attack

A sergeant's admission that he rolled grenades into the tents of sleeping soldiers in Kuwait last year will be admissible when he goes on trial in the attack, a judge ruled Thursday. The ruling came at a pretrial hearing for Sgt. Hasan Akbar, 33, of the 101st Airborne Division. A statement he made immediately after the attack was admitted as evidence but some later statements were disallowed by the military judge, Col. Stephen Henley. (AP)

### NEWARK, N.J.

#### Sen. Corzine Announces Plans to Run for Governor

Four years after spending more than \$60 million of his own money to get elected to the Senate, Democrat Jon S. Corzine announced Thursday that he is running for governor in 2005. The former investment banker, whose political intentions have been widely reported in recent days, becomes the first Democrat to officially enter the race. Polls have shown Corzine would be the early front-runner. (AP)

### WASHINGTON

#### President Bush to Attend Army-Navy Football Game

President Bush will attend the annual Army-Navy football game, one of the most storied rivalries in college sports, in Philadelphia on Saturday. The president will start the day with a rare weekend meeting with a foreign leader, Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf. (AP)

### HEARSAY | TRIALS

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#### -JANEY PETERSON

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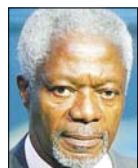
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The average age at which Spaniards move out of their parents' homes, according to a government report released this week. Spain's crowded family nests are blamed on high unemployment and skyrocketing real estate prices.

## U.N. Chief Called On To Resign

UNITED NATIONS | U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan is the target of escalating attacks in the United States. A U.S. senator has called for his resignation over a deepening corruption scandal in the U.N. oil-for-food program in Iraq.

Russia, China, Britain, France and Germany all rallied to support the beleaguered U.N. chief. But President Bush twice on Thursday refused to say whether Annan should resign, instead demanding "a full and fair and open accounting" of the oil-for-food program.



Annan

The demand for Annan to step down came from Sen. Norm Coleman, a Minnesota Republican who is leading one of five congressional investigations into the program.

Two weeks ago, Coleman's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations said it found evidence that Saddam's government raised more than \$21.3 billion in illegal revenue by subverting U.N. sanctions. In Wednesday's Wall Street Journal, Coleman wrote that Annan should resign because "the most extensive fraud in the history of the U.N. occurred on his watch." (AP)



VIGIL: Supporters of Ukrainian opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko hold candles outside the Supreme Court in Kiev Thursday.

## Putin Sounds Off on Ukraine

Russian leader belittles opposition bid for revote

KIEV, UKRAINE | Russian President Vladimir Putin injected himself into the election crisis in this former Soviet republic Thursday, strongly attacking the opposition's central demand for a new presidential runoff and cautioning the West against getting too involved.

Putin made his comments while meeting with Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma at an airport outside Moscow, as tens of thousands of opposition supporters rallied for the 11th straight day in Kiev's

Independence Square.

"A revote could be conducted a third, a fourth, a 25th time, until one side gets the results it needs," Putin said in televised comments.

Following Putin's remarks, President Bush issued a warning that appeared to be directed at Russia. If there is to be a new election, it "ought to be free from any foreign influence," Bush said.

Putin had openly supported Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich. The Kremlin fears that a victory

by Viktor Yushchenko, who favors closer ties with the West, could drag this country of 48 million out of Moscow's orbit.

The Supreme Court is considering an appeal by Yushchenko's camp to invalidate the runoff results, which the Central Election Commission said Yanukovich won by 900,000 votes. The appeal centers on claims of widespread violations across the Yanukovich strongholds in the east and south, near Russia.

The court is hearing final arguments but adjourned without a decision. ANNA MELNICHUK (AP)

## Troops Discover 14 Bodies in Mosul

U.S. soldier also killed in rebel stronghold; 2 die in Baghdad attacks

BAGHDAD | Insurgents killed an American soldier in the restive city of Mosul and mortar strikes pummeled central Baghdad, while the U.S. Embassy barred employees from the dangerous highway leading to the airport.

The American soldier who was killed Thursday was on a U.S.-Iraqi patrol when the attack occurred, Lt. Col. Paul Hastings said. He said two Iraqi commandos were



Iraqis help a wounded civilian at the scene of a mortar attack in Baghdad.

also wounded.

Hastings also said Iraqi and U.S. forces discovered 14 uniden-

tified bodies in Mosul on Thursday, and that there were reports of five more that were picked up by family members. That brings to at least 66 the number of bodies — many of them believed members of the Iraqi security forces — found there since Nov. 18.

Also Thursday, attackers launched at least five mortars in central Baghdad, including two that crashed into the Green Zone, the compound that houses Iraq's interim administration and U.S. diplomatic missions. One round killed two civilians, a U.S. military spokesman said. NICK WADHAMS (AP)

## U.S. Envoy Makes Appeal to Taliban

KABUL | The top U.S. official in Afghanistan called on the Taliban to give up their three-year insurgency, pledging Thursday that most who surrender will be left in peace if they acknowledge the authority of President-elect Hamid Karzai.

An estimated 100-150 Taliban leaders and those associated with al Qaeda are ineligible for the offer.

"There's no need to fight, to stay in the mountains. Afghanistan has entered a new stage," said Zalmay Khalilzad, the U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan. "It's time for this to end." STEPHEN GRAHAM (AP)

## In Brief

### PERU

#### Human Rights Court Upholds Berenson's 20-Year Sentence

The Inter-American Court of Human Rights has upheld the 20-year-sentence of Lori Berenson, a New York native convicted in Peru for terrorist collaboration with Marxist guerrillas, President Alejandro Toledo said Thursday. Berenson's legal team had argued that her trial in Peru failed to meet international standards for fairness. Berenson, 35, an MIT dropout, has spent nine years in Peruvian prisons. She denies any wrongdoing. (AP)

### BOSNIA

#### EU Takes On Bosnia Mission

The European Union began its biggest-ever military operation Thursday, formally taking over NATO's peacekeeping mission in Bosnia with 7,000 troops. The operation is a major step in the EU's drive to develop a military arm, an initiative launched after the bloc failed to halt the war that tore Bosnia apart in the early 1990s. (AP)

### MEXICO

#### 29 to Stand Trial in Mob Killings of Federal Agents

A judge on Thursday ordered two police officers and 27 other people to stand trial in the fiery mob killings of two federal agents and the savage beating of a third. Dozens of residents in a town on Mexico City's outskirts collared three plainclothes agents who had been photographing a school on Nov. 23. Worried the trio might be kidnappers, the crowd attacked them. The violence was captured on videotape, which showed the agents being doused with paint thinner and set ablaze. (AP)

### SWEDEN

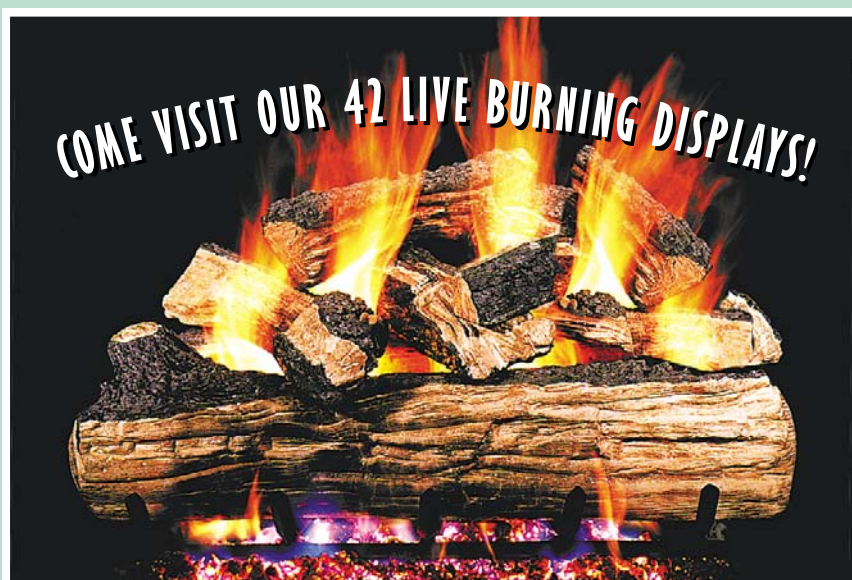
#### Man Who Killed Lindh Will Go to Prison, Court Rules

Sweden's Supreme Court ruled Thursday that the man convicted of murdering Foreign Minister Anna Lindh will serve his sentence in prison rather than in psychiatric care, reversing a contentious decision by a lower court. The five-judge panel cited the ferocity with which Mijailo Mijailovic stabbed Lindh. The court's decision is final. (AP)

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## World



**FRENCH BLISS:** Starting next week, ice skaters in Paris will be able to practice their spins on a rink inside the Eiffel Tower, Reuters reported. The rink, which will be situated about 187 feet up the tower, will be able to accommodate 80 people at a time.

# Few Answers 20 Years After Bhopal

Disaster survivors say they're still seeking justice

**BHOPAL, INDIA** | Civil rights activists, survivors and other protesters converged on Bhopal this week to mark the 20th anniversary of the world's worst industrial accident and demand justice for hundreds of thousands of people still suffering in the aftermath.

A leak of 40 tons of poisonous gas from a Union Carbide pesticide plant on Dec. 3, 1984, killed at least 10,000 people in this central Indian city and affected more than 555,000 others, although the exact number of victims has never

been clear. Thousands of demonstrators planned to march through Bhopal on Friday before holding a public meeting outside the abandoned Union Carbide plant.

U.S.-based Union Carbide, which was bought by Dow Chemical in 2001, paid \$470 million in compensation under a 1989 settlement with India. Only part of that amount has reached the victims.

"These two companies have betrayed the victims of Bhopal," said Rashida Bee, a survivor. She said the protesters would pledge

to keep up the fight until victims' demands for compensation and medical care are met.

The protesters also called on Dow Chemical to clean up the plant site, where rusted pipes and pesticide storage tanks have collapsed or ruptured in the years since the plant was abandoned.

Union Carbide insists the tragedy was due to sabotage by a disgruntled employee and not shoddy safety standards, as claimed by many activists. In a statement, it said it spent more than \$2 million to clean up the plant before it sold its stake in the company in 1994. (AP)



In Bhopal on Thursday, Gazala Praveen, 33, holds a portrait of herself at age 13. She was blinded after the gas leak.

## Court Revives Bid To Try Pinochet

**SANTIAGO, CHILE** | An appeals court ruled Thursday to strip former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet of immunity from prosecution for a 1974 car bombing that killed an exiled Chilean general.

The 14-9 decision opens the possibility Pinochet could stand trial for the bombing. It marks the third attempt to try Pinochet for abuses during his 17-year dictatorship.

Gen. Carlos Prats had opposed the 1973 coup that put fellow general Pinochet in power, and was among the first of an estimated several thousand people killed during Pinochet's rule. (AP)

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# Money

## US Airways Seeks Court Help

### Airline pursues injunction to prevent unions from striking

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | US Airways Group Inc. will seek a court injunction to prohibit a strike by disaffected unions that have threatened a walkout if a bankruptcy judge grants the airline's request to cancel their labor contracts.

Meanwhile, the airline reached a tentative agreement late Thursday afternoon on a new contract with one of the two unions that have been

threatening a strike.

The Communications Workers of America, which represents about 6,000 reservations and gate agents at the airline, said the new deal was able to offset some of the most severe demands the airline had made on issues of pay and outsourcing.

CWA spokeswoman Candice Johnson would not discuss details of the contract, but previous proposals from the airline had called for pay cuts of as much as 34 percent. A bankruptcy court hearing began Thursday on the airline's request to cancel its collective bargain-

ing agreements with its machinists, flight attendants, reservation agents and gate workers.

The airline is seeking to impose pay cuts of 25 percent or more on some worker groups, and also wants to cut benefits for current employees and retirees to save an estimated \$1 billion a year. It also wants to terminate pension plans for the flight attendants and machinists.

If the airline does not get the relief it is seeking, it will be forced to begin liquidation proceedings in mid-January, said Brian Leitch, the airline's lawyer. (AP)

## Christians Criticize Target For Barring Salvation Army

MINNEAPOLIS | A backlash could be brewing against Target Corp. after it decided to ban Salvation Army bell-ringers and their kettles from its store entrances this holiday season.

The latest reaction has come from several Christian groups.

"[The decision] should send a message to Christians that perhaps they'd like to do their shopping elsewhere," said Robert Knight of Concerned Women of America, a Christian group that claims more than 500,000 members.

The issue dates to January, when

Target told the Salvation Army that it would no longer allow its kettles and bell-ringers outside Target's 1,200 U.S. stores, saying it no longer could make the Salvation Army the sole exception to a rule banning solicitation at its stores, spokeswoman Carolyn Brookter said.

"It's really about us trying to make our policy consistent," Brookter said. Also figuring in the decision, she said, was Target's desire to protect its customers from the potential discomfort of being asked for donations. (AP)

## Oil Prices Fall for 2nd Day in Row

Crude oil futures nose-dived for a second day Thursday, briefly dipping below \$43 a barrel, as traders focused on rising fuel supplies. It settled at \$43.25 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The two-day drop of more than \$5 a barrel picked up momentum from technical and speculative trading and revealed a psychological shift in the market.

The price of oil is now more than \$12 below the peak set in late October, while retail gasoline prices have fallen by 9 cents over the past month to \$1.95 per gallon. (AP)

## Market Action

### New York Stock Exchange

#### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
IntegES	3.58	+.51	+16.6
ChiYuc	17.77	+1.68	+10.4
Sothbys	17.38	+1.58	+10.0
Cenveo	3.40	+.28	+9.0
AMR	10.63	+.82	+8.4

#### Losers

RPC	22.71	-3.23	-12.5
Bombay	5.97	-.77	-11.4
ChrisBnk	18.76	-2.35	-11.1
NY&Co n	21.03	-2.28	-9.8
Guess	13.56	-1.44	-9.6

### Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	5.00	5.00
Fed Funds close	2.00	2.00
3-month	2.18	2.14
2-year	3.05	3.03
10-year	4.41	4.20
30-year	5.06	4.85

### NASDAQ Stock Market

#### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Intrus h rs	2.40	+.92	+62.3
Arrowhd n	3.69	+1.34	+57.0
ConcCm	2.53	+.60	+31.1
RitaMed	3.99	+.87	+27.9
Nanogen	6.21	+1.21	+24.2

#### Losers

CitzFnCp	6.80	-1.20	-15.0
Mitcham	6.04	-.96	-13.7
Pharmos	3.22	-.47	-12.7
AbleEnr	3.41	-.48	-12.3
Mindspeed	2.30	-.29	-11.2

### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5200	.5174	.5784
Canadian Dollar	1.1925	1.1832	1.2987
European Euro	.7536	.7508	.8277
Japanese Yen	103.19	102.69	108.78
Mexican Peso	11.1580	11.1470	11.3200
Taiwanese Dollar	31.97	32.19	34.15

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-5.10	+5.34	-1.04
-0.05	+0.25	-0.09
10585.12	2143.57	1190.33

### Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
Allergan	78.11	+.84	+1.7
AstraZen	40.74	+.69	-15.8
BarrPhm s	39.96	+1.11	-22.1
BrMySq	24.16	+.43	-15.5
ForestLab	40.13	+.94	-35.1
Hospira n	31.73	-.51	+13.3
IvaxCp s	15.84	+.06	...
JohnJn	61.75	+.56	+19.5
LillyEli	54.79	+.32	-22.1
Merck	28.60	+.88	-38.1
MylanLab	18.22	-.10	-27.9
Pfizer	28.46	+.23	-19.4
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## Local

# Expos Vote Set for Friday

## Commissioner Selig expects MLB owners to approve relocation

WASHINGTON | With or without an agreement with Peter Angelos, baseball appears ready to officially award the Montreal Expos to Washington.

Commissioner Bud Selig scheduled a conference call for Friday for a vote by the owners to approve Major League Baseball's first relocation in 33 years. The vote, originally set for Nov. 18, was delayed in part because Selig had hoped to work out a deal with the Baltimore Orioles owner to ensure a unanimous decision.

"I like 30-0 votes," Selig said Thursday after a speech to the Greater Washington Board of Trade. "But every so often I don't get 30-0 votes."



Bud Selig spoke at the Greater Washington Board of Trade Thursday.

The owners' vote was expected to be contingent on D.C. Council legislation to fund a new stadium for

the Washington team, which would be called the Nationals.

Selig said he was "very confident" the council would approve the legislation. The commissioner would not address whether several amendments passed this week — including a spending cap that could force the stadium to be built elsewhere in the city — violated the agreement signed in September by the Expos and the city's mayor, Anthony A. Williams.

"As far as I'm concerned, that deal that was made by us with them is a deal," Selig said. "There's no sense in me commenting any more on that because I know that we're going to live up to it, but I also have confidence that they will."

JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

**New deal?** Bud Selig said on Thursday that Major League Baseball will not re-open negotiations after the D.C. Council passed a revised ballpark plan | *Today's Post*,

## Navy Again Turns Down Chapter of Gay Alumni

ANNAPOLIS, MD. | The governing board of the Naval Academy Alumni Association voted unanimously Thursday, for the second straight year, to reject a bid from graduates who sought to establish a predominantly gay and lesbian alumni chapter.

No U.S. service academy has ever officially sanctioned a gay alumni chapter.

"We proposed an alumni chapter that was free of discrimination, and that was denied," said Jeff Petrie, a 1989 graduate who founded the

group and attended the trustees' meeting.

Following a recommendation by alumni association staff, the 27 trustees who attended the meeting voted to dismiss Petrie's request on the basis that it would mainly serve a discrete group of graduates.

The board opposes special-interest chapters, because their membership would be exclusive, the association wrote in a news release entitled "Naval Academy Alumni Association reaffirms commitment to diversity and inclusiveness." (AP)

## FBI: Prosecutor Was Alone at Time of Death

BALTIMORE | The FBI said Thursday it found no evidence a federal prosecutor met with anyone the night he disappeared or the morning he was found dead with 36 stab wounds last December.

It was the first time the FBI publicly addressed the investigation of Jonathan P. Luna's death since March, when authorities said they were exploring the possibilities of murder, a random killing or suicide. The coroner in Lancaster County, Pa., said the case remains classified a homicide. (AP)

## The Lotteries

**Thursday, Dec. 2**

### DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	<b>6-9-7</b>
Evening Lucky Numbers	<b>4-2-4</b>
Mid-day DC 4	<b>1-8-2-0</b>
Evening DC 4	<b>2-4-1-3</b>
Quick Cash	<b>29-2-16-3-28-39</b>
Hot Five	<b>24-6-7-30-17</b>
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	<b>2-18-19-30-31 (1)</b>

### MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	<b>7-1-5</b>
Evening Pick 3	<b>4-3-5</b>
Mid-day Pick 4	<b>2-9-4-4</b>
Evening Pick 4	<b>0-2-9-7</b>
Match 5	<b>5-8-12-20-37 Bonus: 6</b>
Lotto (Wed.)	<b>9-15-18-26-36-40</b>

### VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	<b>2-0-3</b>
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	<b>9-9-2</b>
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	<b>3-4-3-9</b>

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	<b>8-9-9-4</b>
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	<b>3-19-23-25-29</b>
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	<b>17-18-26-27-33</b>
Lotto South (Wed.)	<b>1-5-33-34-36-49</b>

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Powerball (Wed.)	<b>3-28-36-38-44 (1)</b>
Power Play	<b>4</b>

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**GARDEN GIRLS:** A Frederick, Md., garden club has produced a 400-page cookbook with nearly-nude photos of eight members, ages 55 to 70. The Green-walled Garden Club plans to use the proceeds to fund city beautification projects, The Frederick News-Post reported.



## Local

## Metro Proposes Privacy Policy for SmarTrip Users

WASHINGTON | Metro officials on Thursday unveiled a proposed privacy policy for information that is collected every time a rider uses a SmarTrip card or pays for fares with a credit card.

The proposal, which seeks to further develop and formalize existing practices, would keep the materi-

al from being released without the cardholder's consent, except under court order or for a police investigation.

The policy would also inform riders that their personal information is being collected, and would offer them the opportunity to see it. Metro employees would be disciplined for improperly releasing it.

Metro is also considering changes to its public records access policy, including faster response times, and fashioning it closer to the federal Freedom of Information Act. (AP)

## Metro Board Ho-Hum on Sales Tax

Member warns that Va. may vote against plan

WASHINGTON | The idea of creating a region-wide sales tax to help pay for subways and buses was greeted with mixed reviews Thursday from Metro Board members.

Dana Kauffman of Fairfax County, Va., doubted the state legislature would go along with the idea, given that in 2002, Northern Virginia voters rejected a half a per-

cent sales-tax hike to fund transportation improvements. And in October, a statewide half a percent sales-tax hike kicked in.

A "Blue Ribbon" panel has been looking at dedicated sources of funding to solve Metro's long-term money troubles. Members agreed Tuesday to recommend a region-wide sales tax with a

fixed rate.

The panel's draft report is to be released next Tuesday. "I don't like sales taxes," said Jim Graham, board member and D.C. Council member. "It hits wealthy people the same as poor people."

Graham said he'd support a parking tax for the city, while Kauffman believes fees associated with office real estate could work in Fairfax.

CANDACE SMITH (AP)

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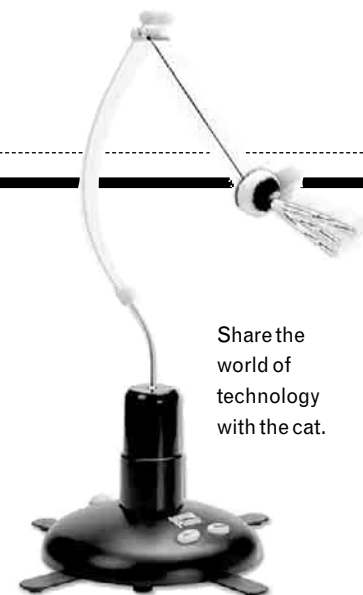
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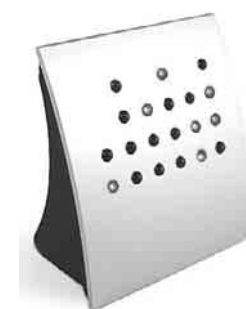
**SQUEEZEBOX:** \$279, [slimdevices.com](http://slimdevices.com) and **ROKU SOUNDBRIDGE M1000:** \$250, [rokulabs.com](http://rokulabs.com). These wireless gizmos assume your stereo and computers are in different rooms and in no mood to relocate. They act as middlemen, funneling music from a wireless-enabled computer straight into the stereo. For \$10 more, you can get the Squeezebox in purple, orange, blue or silver.



**PANASONIC DMR-E85HS:** \$600, [panasonic.com](http://panasonic.com). You can save television shows to the 120GB hard drive; you can also record and edit DVDs.



**REPLAYTV:** [replaytv.com](http://replaytv.com). The cheapest version of this TiVo alternative holds up to 40 hours of television and costs \$150. The priciest stores up to 320 hours and goes for \$800. Don't forget the subscription fee: \$12.95 monthly or \$299 for the product's lifetime.



**BINARY CLOCK:** [thinkgeek.com](http://thinkgeek.com). A sense of time is arguably what sets humans apart from animals. This clock is what sets computer programmers apart from humans. It tells the time in binary code, rendering itself useless to 99.99999 percent of the population. Comes in red (\$20) or blue (\$23).



## Gift Guide

### Music Players

Believe it or not, there are MP3 players besides the iPod on the market. Players fall into three categories — here's a breakdown.

#### Hard-drive

Essentially hard-drives in pretty shells, these fellas can hold entire music collections. If you consider 6 or 7 ounces bulky, however, then these are bulky by your standards.

**CREATIVE ZEN TOUCH:** \$250, 20GB (about 5,000 MP3s), creative.com. Not Mac compatible.

**IPOD:** apple.com. The plain old version holds 20GB (\$299) or 40GB (\$399). It works on a Mac or a PC, provided that PC is using Windows 2000 or XP. The very latest is the **IPOD PHOTO**, which stores and displays digital photos. It comes in 40GB (\$499) and 60GB (\$599) versions.

**ARCHOS GMINI 220:** \$350, 20GB, archos.com. It displays photos, too, albeit on a gray-scale screen.



#### Micro-drive

These are smaller, lighter and more likely to come in a rainbow of colors. They aren't much cheaper than hard-drive players, however, even though they hold far less music. You buy one because you think tiny, colorful things are cool.

**CREATIVE ZEN MICRO:** \$250, 5GB (about 1,250 MP3s), creative.com. In 10 colors.

**RIO CARBON:** \$250, 5GB, rioaudio.com. Shiny!



#### Flash

These store songs on a memory chip. They don't hold many songs, but they're eensy-weensy and perfect for working out or putting in an incredibly small purse.

**BENQ JOYBEE IO2R:** \$99, 128 MB (around 30 MP3s), benq.com. In purple, green and orange.

**NIKE PHILIPS MP3RUN:** \$300, 256MB, nike-philips.com. It's a pedometer, too.



### Stocking Stuffers

**IGO EVERYWHERE-POWER 3500:** \$70, igo.com.

This universal power adapter can charge most portable devices using interchangeable plugs (sold separately). The idea being, you carry around this rather than four or five power bricks.

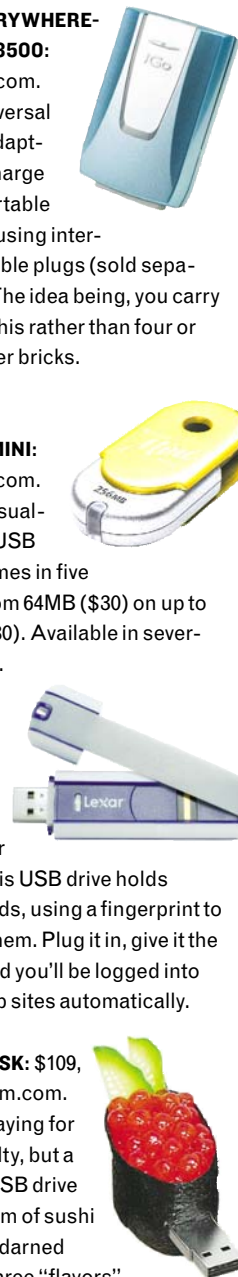
**IOMEGA MICRO MINI:** iomega.com.

The unusually small USB drive comes in five sizes, from 64MB (\$30) on up to 1GB (\$180). Available in several colors.

**LEXAR TOUCH-GUARD:** \$80, lexar.com.

This USB drive holds passwords, using a fingerprint to secure them. Plug it in, give it the finger and you'll be logged into your Web sites automatically.

**SUSHIDISK:** \$109, dynamism.com. You're paying for the novelty, but a 128MB USB drive in the form of sushi is pretty darned novel. Three "flavors" available.



### iPod Outfits

If you're handing out iPods this season, give the proud parents clothes for the new baby. The socks and hoodie fit other music players as well.

**APPLE IPOD SOCKS:** apple.com. \$29 gets you a box of six very low-tech knit socks into which a full-sized or mini iPod can be deposited.

**IPOD HOODIE:** \$24, fredflare.com. Obscenely, disgustingly cute.

**ISKIN:** \$30 regular, \$25 mini; iskin.com. Protects 'pods with a sheathe of silicon. Comes in several colors, some of which glow in the dark.



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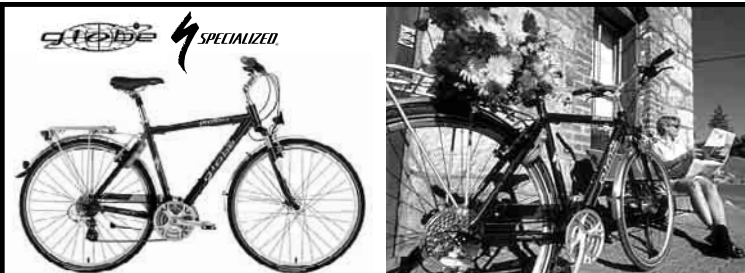
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### Smart Phones

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**HP IPAQ H6315:** \$600, hp.com, requires T-Mobile service. This big fat iPaq combines three methods of snagging you a wireless Internet connection — GSM/GPRS cellular, Bluetooth and 802.11b Wi-Fi. If you don't know what any of that means, you probably don't need this device.



**PALMONE TREO 650:** web.palmone.com, requires Sprint service. From \$449 for new subscribers; \$599 for current subscribers. An update of the classic Treo 600, the 650 adds Bluetooth capability, an improved keyboard and video capture.



**BLACKBERRY 7100T:** \$300, blackberry.com, requires T-Mobile service. Addicts could make calls on their Crackberries before, but this model looks and acts more like a phone than a glorified pager. The keypad is a strange Qwerty-numeric hybrid that allows frantic messaging faster than a standard cell phone.

**SIDEKICK II:** \$300, t-mobile.com. As cute as its predecessor, the latest Sidekick features the same awww-inspiring swiveling screen and adds a built-in camera with a flash. Navigate using the clever jog wheel and IM on the roomy keypad.



## GALLERIES

**Circular Logic:** Mira Hecht's bubbly paintings can be found at the Ralls Collection; other fun stuff can be found in our listings. | **19-22**

# Entertainment Weekend

# The Painful Truth

**Four people find love hurts in the superbly grown-up 'Closer'**

**FILM** | Jude Law and Julia Roberts and Clive Owen and Natalie Portman fall giddily in love in "Closer," but don't be fooled: This is the furthest thing possible from a date movie.

These inordinately beautiful people end up doing extraordinarily ugly things to one another — Portman, playing a stripper, commits some of her offenses in little more than a G-string — and the way they destroy each other and themselves is both brutal and breathtaking to watch.

The newest film from director Mike Nichols is reminiscent of his first, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" from 1966, for the intensity of its performances and the rawness of its emotions.

Wannabe novelist Dan (Law) meets Alice (Portman) in a mesmerizing opening sequence in which the two characters walk toward each other in slow motion on a crowded London street. As Alice steps off the curb, she's hit by a car. When she regains consciousness, the first thing she sees is Dan's flawlessly pretty face, and the two share a playful chemistry in the hospital waiting room and beyond.

When we see Dan a year later (the film jumps forward in time across a four-year period, and subtly fills in the gaps), he's living with Alice, he's written his novel and he's having his head shot taken for the book jacket by photographer Anna (Roberts, bleached blonde), whom he kisses just because he wants to.

Dan later dallies online in a sex chat room, where he pretends to



**STARS AS STAR-CROSSED LOVERS:** In a sexual and emotional rondelay involving two women and two men whose love lives intertwine, Jude Law plays a novelist involved with a stripper and Julia Roberts is the photographer he has an affair with.

be a woman named Anna. There he meets Larry (Owen), a dermatologist who's been honest about his identity, and the two engage in incredibly graphic cybersex. They agree to meet the next day and — whaddya know? — Larry shows up and meets the real Anna.

Subsequent permutations find

Anna marrying Larry but having an affair with Dan, and the scene in which she admits her infidelity is devastating.

"I'm disgusting," Anna whispers, though she doesn't sound entirely contrite.

"You're phenomenal," Larry responds with awe and venom in

his voice. "You're so clever."

Not much hope seems to exist for these people, even if they can manage to forge some semblance of a happy ending, simply because too much damage has been done. For that reason alone, "Closer" is admirably honest.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

## Club Picks

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**FRI:** Mos Def's not the only one doing ghetto rock. Check out **MALENE YOUNGLAO**, along with **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED, W. ELLINGTON FELTON** and **RAHEEM DEVAUGHN** at the Black Cat. ... **KILOMBO TENONDE'** hosts our own supra-equatorial Brazilian Carnival — minus the bacchanal — at Café Asia (Arlington). ... **BOYZ II MEN** help commemorate three years of Dream in D.C. ... It's **FIRST FRIDAY** at Fur — free shots to anyone who can say that three times. Support the group's Help the Homeless Happy Hour — free shots for ... never mind.



Malene Younglao in a mellow mood.

**SAT:** Last chance to get your art critic on at Artomatic. **DJ TWO TONE** funks up the second floor at the African Boom Boom Room — just head past the tattoo parlor. Pack a pillow for the Signal 66 sleepover; there are whispers about homemade waffles and Twister. ... Hoodie Advisory: **J-LIVE, VAST AIRE**, D.C.'s own **EDUCATED CONSUMERS** and more get busy at Ottobar. ... For further 202 representation, check **FLEX MATHEWS, DJ DAMU** and co. at Warehouse Next Door. ... Merry HFSmas! **VELVET REVOLVER, GOOD CHARLOTTE, FRANZ FERDINAND, THE KILLERS, JIMMY EAT WORLD** and more jingle your bells at the Patriot Center.

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CELESTE DAWN MITCHELL

**TWO THUMBS UP?** Or 10 toes? Get the verdict on the latest film releases in today's *Washington Post*.

**A Second Opinion:** Desson Thomson is unimpressed with the sophisticated sexual posing of "Closer," finding it full of naughty heat but no emotional fire. | *Weekend*

**Movie Manifesto:** Senegalese filmmaker Ousmane Sembene's "Moolaade," a diatribe against female circumcision, is as subtle as a sledgehammer, but effective. Neely Tucker reviews. | *Style*

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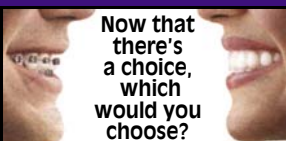
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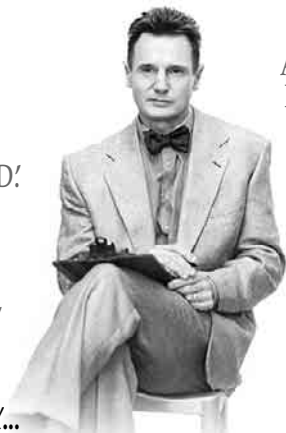
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Reviews by The Washington Post's  
Jennifer Frey, Stephen Hunter, Phillip  
Kennicott and Desson Thomson.

**ALEXANDER** (R, 175 minutes) Oliver Stone's epic is enjoyable in some places, but dreadful in others, boring here and exciting there, and almost always goofy. It's \$150 million worth of large-scale battles, bacchanalia and overwrought writing — particularly in its rendition of Alexander (Colin Farrell) as a mama-whipped, militarily gifted but emotionally unstable conqueror. Despite nearly three hours of screen time, "Alexander" has a little bit of everything and, ultimately, a lot of nothing. (D)



JAAP BUITENDIJK

Colin Farrell as Alexander rides toward the Hall of Overblown Period Epics.

**CALLAS FOREVER** (unrated, 115 minutes) This film goes far deeper into one man's opera-diva fetish than most people will want to follow. It's not really about Callas or the artistry of the great soprano; it's about Franco Zeffirelli, about how much he loves Maria, about how frustrating it is to be an opera director when singers have so many flesh-and-blood imperfections. (PK)

**CHRISTMAS WITH THE KRANKS** (PG, 105) Derived from a novel by John Grisham, this film documents the calumny that accompanies the decision of a couple (Tim Allen and Jamie Lee Curtis) to skip Christmas one year and instead take a cruise. Bad decision, Mr. and Mrs. Krank. You forgot to count on the fascistic conformism of your fellow Americans. Everyone in the film is mean-spirited, manipulative and repulsive, particularly Dan Aykroyd as a venal self-appointed community leader who leads a campaign against the Kranks. What America is this? (SH)

**FINDING NEVERLAND** (PG, 101 minutes) Who was the genius behind Peter Pan, Cap'n Hook, Wendy and the Lost Boys?

That would be Scotland's own J.M. Barrie, the subject of Marc Forster's quietly enchanting film. Johnny Depp's James Barrie is a childlike soul, a soft-spoken yet charismatic clown who's available to four children who become the inspiration for Peter Pan and the Darling family. The truth is far different, but movies are about emotional truths. And the film takes a crucial time in Barrie's life and runs with it. (D)

**KINSEY** (R, 118 minutes) This is an alert, lively movie with a crackling performance by Liam Neeson as sexual behavior scientist Alfred Kinsey. In the 1940s, biology professor Kinsey comes to realize that only single-minded zeal can break down inhibitions and irrationality. Writer-director Bill Condon has created a supple, potent work that advocates the kind of compassion and diversity that, in some corners of society, remain marginalized. It's an important work, bigger than the story it tells. (D)



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**NATIONAL TREASURE** (PG, 136 minutes) Structurally, this movie is of the school that might be called "one thing after another." It almost never slows down and seems to have been masterminded by an entire film crew on speed. But it's the movie equivalent of comfort food: Expect comic relief from the sidekick, expect the shooters always to miss, expect the gal in charge of the Declaration of Independence over at the National Archives to be beauty Diane Kruger and expect the father (Jon Voight) and the son (Nicolas Cage) to finally hug, and you'll have a good time. (SH)

**THE SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS MOVIE** (PG, 88 minutes) The Nickelodeon cartoon is a classic: It's silly, it's sweet and it's full of all those adolescent jokes many find hard to resist (such as flatulence). And for those already acquainted with this sponge and his friends, the film provides an amusing enough romp through SpongeBob's familiar undersea universe — along with detours to the dreaded Shell City and the mainland. (JF)

SpongeBob likes what he sees.



**The whole story:** Read full reviews of these films and more at [WASHINGTONPOST.COM/ENTERTAINMENT](http://WASHINGTONPOST.COM/ENTERTAINMENT)

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**NEWS** | Tom Brokaw's successor on NBC's "Nightly News," Brian Williams, had a feel-good story about a soldier recovering from war injuries air during Brokaw's last broadcast, Wednesday. The anchor transition has led ABC and NBC to launch a presidential-style campaign for viewers; ABC is hoping its second-place evening newscast with Peter Jennings can cut into the lead NBC has generally held since 1997. ABC News has aired commercials touting Jennings with the tagline, "Trust is earned." In response, a full-age newspaper ad bought by NBC Thursday pictures Williams under the headline, "reporting America's story." DAVID BAUDER (AP)

# Hero in Horn-Rims

Noah Wyle is on the trail of his dignity in TNT's 'The Librarian'

TV MOVIE | TNT's motto is "We Know Drama," but, as "The Librarian: Quest for the Spear" proves, the network is still embarrassingly ignorant of action-adventure.

Noah Wyle plays Flynn Carsen, a 30-something who loves learning so

much he can't seem to leave school, having earned 22 degrees.

Carsen is approached by the Metropolitan Public Library, where the directors (Jane Curtin and Bob Newhart) put him in charge of a secret and absurdly unprotected collection of ancient relics with mysterious powers, which are represented by bouts of glowing.

Immediately, a Biblical spear is stolen, and Carsen and his irri-

table bodyguard (Sonya Walger) are shipped off to the Amazon to fulfill every eye-roll-inducing cliché related to a jungle setting, including but not limited to: running across wooden bridges as they collapse; being captured by natives; jumping off cliffs into rivers while pursuing villains don't follow; going over waterfalls; falling through trap doors; and passing through a series of swinging axes.



Brave, stalwart and ... oh, who are we kidding? Noah Wyle looks like a dork.

The film is an uninspired paraphrasing of the "Indiana Jones" plots. Out goes the Ark of the Covenant; in comes the "Spear of Destiny" that punctured a crucified Jesus. Out go loathsome Nazis bent on world domination; in comes a motivation-devoid traitor (Kyle McLaughlin) bent on finding things to laugh at maniacally. Out goes the fun.

As Carsen, Wyle tries to strike a good geek/charm balance but, in the end, the film's failure to utilize an iota of imagination will lead viewers on their own quest: for the remote. CHRISTOPHER MINCHER

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# Identities Crisis

**Geoffrey Rush plays the mysterious Peter Sellers in an HBO film**

**BIOPIC** | How to play a man who had a thousand faces, but none of them his own?

Such was the challenge facing Geoffrey Rush when he agreed to star in "The Life and Death of Peter Sellers," a prismatic, fascinating portrait that debuts Sunday night at 9 p.m. on HBO.

Sellers, who died in 1980 at 54, is today best remembered as Inspector Clouseau, the fractured

French detective from the "Pink Panther" comedies. But in his full output of some 70 features, this British-born child of vaudevillians whipped up a dizzying spectrum of characters, often juggling multiple roles in a single film.

That's challenge enough for any actor bold enough to take on Sellers in a biopic. But an even weightier problem awaited Rush: how to capture what lurked at Sellers' core.

"We have a protagonist who has no self-awareness and cannot for a moment be clear about who he is," said

Stephen Hopkins, who directed the film.

Amazing, then, that this film does justice to Sellers' genius, and, thanks to Rush, corrals his mercurial psyche.

"He was an actor who managed to play crazy, extreme characters — and ground them," said Hopkins. "You don't question Dr. Strangelove when you see him, even though you should."

The troubled soul of Sellers-played-by-Rush even turns up impersonating some of the prominent figures in his life, pinch-hitting in key scenes as his mother, Peg (otherwise portrayed by Miriam Margolyes), Stanley Kubrick (played by Stanley Tucci), Blake Edwards (John Lithgow) and his first wife, Anne (Emily Watson).

While initially leery of performing this difficult feat of role-juggling, Rush changed his mind when presented with candid shots of the film's subject — they caught Sellers unguarded and, perhaps as much as possible, disclosing his true self.

"You could see this faraway, melancholy, angry, depressed state going on inside," recalled Rush. "And I thought, 'That's the story. Just try to get some of that right.'"

FRAZIER MOORE (AP)

**THE MAN WITHOUT QUALITIES:** Rush as Sellers with Watson.

COURTESY HBO



**THAT'S HOT:** Hilton and Richie toast to a new lease on famewhoredom on DVD.

## The 12 Episodes Of TV Christmas

**PRESENTS** | Herein, Reality Check's holiday gift suggestions for those reality TV fans in your life.

TiVo is a necessity for any serious TV watcher. For those TiVo devotees in your life, the TiVo 3-inch Plush Ornament (\$3.99 at [www.tivo.com](http://www.tivo.com)) is the perfect stocking-stuffer.

"Viva La Bam: The Complete First Season" (Paramount Home Video, \$26.99), is a hilarious eight-episode collection of Bam Margera's MTV show. Enjoy the "The Christmas Episode," in which he festoons his parents' house with an obscene amount of lights and turns one floor into an ice-skating rink, complete with skaters.

The Donald Trump Talking Doll (\$28 at [nbcstore.shopnbc.com](http://nbcstore.shopnbc.com)) spouts 17 phrases spoken by the star of "The Apprentice," including "You're fired."

Re-live both "The Simple Life" and "The Simple Life: Road Trip" (both Fox Home Entertainment), starring socialites Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie. Season one costs \$9.98; season two, \$19.98. That's hot.

Paul Sr., Paulie and Mikey have perfected the art of family bickering on Discovery Channel's "American Chopper." Countless OCC items are available, from caps and T-shirts to a three-disc set (\$24.98). Skip right to the Christmas-party episode to laugh at the antics of Anna's trashy, toothless, drunk cousin Shelly.

And finally, follow the "Newlyweds: The First Season" (Paramount Home Video, \$26.99) as the pop tart learns Chicken of the Sea is indeed fish, and buffalo wings do not come from buffalo. Happy holidays! KARA MEDALIS (THE STAMFORD ADVOCATE)

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**Apex:** Fri., Tony Velasco, 9 p.m., \$8; Sat., Liquid Ladies, 9 p.m., \$8. 415 22nd St. NW; 202-296-0505.

**Between Friends:** Fri., Gothic Night, 10 p.m., \$10; Sat., Ladies in the Life, 10 p.m., \$10; Sun., Golden Mic Battle, 9 p.m., \$5-\$7. 1115 U St. NW; 202-232-2544.

**Black Cat:** Fri., Critically Acclaimed, Crossrhodes, Malene Younglao, 9:30 p.m., \$12; Sat., Eagles of Death Metal, Walking Concert, Assrockers,

9:30 p.m., \$10; Sun., The Aquarium, Pash, 9 p.m., \$5. 1811 14th St. NW; 202-667-7960.

**Blues Alley:** Fri.-Sat., Toots Thielemans, Kenny Werner Duo, 8 & 10 p.m., \$27.50; Sun., Gary Grainger Group, The Meritxell Project, 8 & 10 p.m. 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-337-4141.

**Birchmere Music Hall:** Fri., Magnetic Fields, Darren Hanlon, 10 p.m., \$22.50-\$25; Sat., Speidel, Goodrich, Goggin & Lille, 7:30 p.m., \$20; Bob Mould, 10 p.m., \$20; Sun., George Thorogood & the Destroyers, Tom Hambridge, 7:30 p.m., \$35. 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 800-551-7328.

**The Classics:** Sat., Suttle Thoughts, 10 p.m., \$10; Sun., Rare Essence, 10 p.m., \$20. 4591 Allentown Road, Camp Springs, Md.; 301-420-5353.

**Club Amazon:** Fri., Jah Works, Can't Hang, 10 p.m., \$10-\$15; Sat., Lissen Band, 11 p.m., \$15-\$20; Sun., Flow Sunday, 10 p.m., \$10. 1350I Baltimore Ave., Laurel, Md.; 301-210-3466.

**Club Five:** Fri., D:Fuse, 9 p.m., \$10; Sat., M3 Music: Music Makes Magic, 9 p.m., \$10; Sun., Trade, 9 p.m., \$10. 1214-B 18th St. NW; 202-331-7123.

**Crossroads:** Fri., Escape Fridays, 5 p.m., \$10; Sat., Energy Saturdays, 9:30 p.m., \$10; Sun., Dancehall Sundays, 10 p.m., \$10. 4103 Baltimore Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-1056.

**Daedalus:** Fri., Hip-Hop Night, 10:30 p.m., \$15; Bliss, 10:30 p.m., \$15. 1010 Vermont Ave. NW; 202-369-5600.

**DC 9:** Fri., Liberation Dance Party, 8:30 p.m., \$5; Sat., Electrotease, 8:30 p.m., free; Sun., Taint, 9 p.m., free. 1949 9th St. NW; 202-483-5000.

**Dream:** Fri., Boyz II Men, 9 p.m., \$20; Sat., Dreamland, Smuth, 9 p.m., \$10-\$15. 1350 Okie St. NE; 202-636-9030.

**Fur:** Fri., Naughty Asian Wear Lingerie Show, 9 p.m., \$15; Sat., Glow, 9 p.m., \$15. 33 Patterson St. NE; 202-297-0377.

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**H20:** Fri., La India, 9 p.m., \$15; Sat., Soul Food Saturdays, 9 p.m., \$15. 800 Water St. SW; 202-484-6300.

**Home:** Fri., Dusk, 9 p.m., \$15; Sat., Synergy, 10 p.m., \$15; Sun., Urban Night, 10 p.m., \$15. 911 F St. NW; 202-638-4663.

**Iota Club & Café:** Fri., Suburban Love Junkies, Eastern Homes, 9:30 p.m., \$8; Sat., Ebo, Evenout, Ki:Theory, 9:30 p.m., \$10; Sun., Keren Ann, Justin Jones, 8:30 p.m., \$10. 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-522-8340.

**Jammin' Java:** Fri., Ari Hest, 8 p.m., \$12; Sat., Caroline Herring, The Dog Waggers 8 p.m., \$10; Sun., Winter's Eve feat. Alison Brown Quartet, Doyle & Andrea Zonn, 7 p.m., \$20. 227 Maple Ave., Vienna; 703-255-1566.

**Jaxx:** Fri., Bret Michaels, Evick, Turbulance, 7:30 p.m., \$28; Sat., Human Room, Your Last Collapse, J. Paris, Devvin, 2 p.m., \$10; Sun., E. Town Concrete, Die Cast, Twelve Tribes, Devil In Side, Hardshell, 5 p.m., \$14. 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield, Va.; 703-569-5940.

**Juste Lounge:** Fri., 4Play Friday, 9 p.m., \$10; Sat., Mingle Saturday, 9 p.m., \$10. 1015 1/2 7th St. NW; 202-393-3909.

**Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage:** Fri., Ellis Hall; Sat., NSO Prelude; Sun., Hot Kugel, all shows 6 p.m., free. 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600.

**Kennedy Center, Concert Hall:** Fri.-Sat., NSO w/ Martin Hackleman, 8 p.m., \$20-\$77. 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600.

**Madam's Organ:** Fri., Bill Wharton, 10 p.m., free; Sat., The Soul Truth w/ Billy Mayfield, 10 p.m., free; Sun., Lucky Dog w/ Larry Meisse, 9 p.m., free. 2461 18th St.

NW; 202-667-5370.

**Nation:** Fri., Cubik, 9 p.m., \$10-\$15; Sat., Velvet, 10 p.m., \$10-\$15. 1015 Half St. SE; 202-554-1500.

**Patriot Center:** Sat., HFMSas Nutcracker w/ Velvet Revolver, Good Charlotte, Jimmy Eat World, Chevelle, Franz Ferdinand, Keane, The Killers, My Chemical Romance, Breaking Benjamin, doors open 3:30 p.m., \$48-\$58. George Mason University, Fairfax; 703-993-3000.

**Republic Gardens:** Fri., Happy Hour, 5:30 p.m., \$10; Sat., guest DJ, 6 p.m., \$10. 1355 U St. NW; 202-232-2710.

**South Beach Cafe:** Sat., Final Krunk DJ Set, 10:30 p.m., free. 7904 Woodmont Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9737.

**State Theater:** Sat., Railroad Earth, 9 p.m., \$12; Sat., Don McLean, 9 p.m., \$30; Sun., Strunz & Farah, 8 p.m., \$30. 220 N. Washington St., Falls Church; 800-551-7328.

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**Velvet Lounge:** Fri., Laura Thomas, The Grift, The Last Show; Sat., Pharmacy Prophets, Chrysalis; The Hypertotics, Death Noise Rap Ballads; all shows 8 p.m., free. 915 U St. NW; 202-462-3213.

**Vida Lounge:** Fri., Vida Fridays, 9 p.m., \$10; Sat., Vida Saturdays, 10 p.m., \$10. 1120 20th St. NW; 202-293-5433.

**Whitlow's on Wilson:** Fri., G-I3; Sat., Kelly Bell Band; all shows 9:30 p.m., \$4-\$5. 2854 Wilson Blvd., Clarendon, Va.; 703-276-9693.

**Zanzibar:** Fri., International Nite, Fusion Fridays, 7 p.m., \$10-\$15; Sat., International Saturdays, 9 p.m., \$10-\$15. 700 Water St. NW; 202-554-9100.

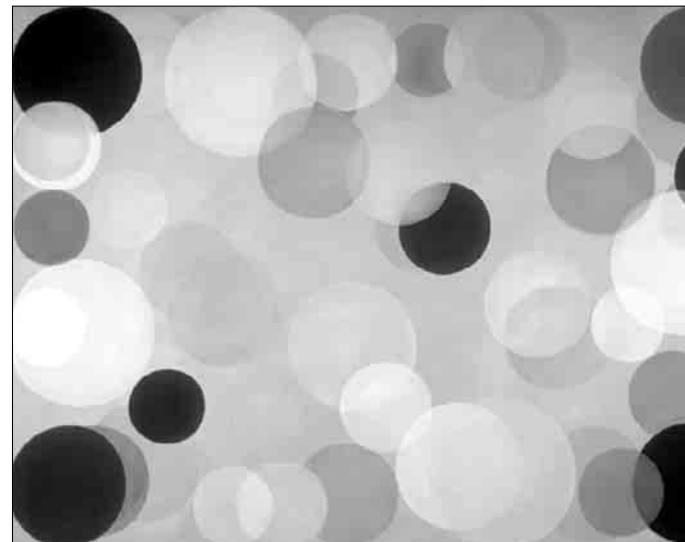
### SIGHT

**Arthur M. Sackler Gallery:** Dream Worlds: Modern Japanese Prints and Paintings From the Robert O. Muller Collection, through Jan. 2. Arts of Mughal India, through Feb. 6. Asia in America, through March 20. Cai Guo-Qiang: Traveler, through April 24. 1050 Independence Ave. SW; 202-357-4880.

**Conner Contemporary Art:** Erik Sandberg, through Dec. 23. 1730 Connecticut Ave.; 202-588-8750.

**Corcoran Gallery of Art:** Frank Gehry, Architect: Designs for Museums, through Feb. 21. Common Ground: Discovering Community in 150 Years of Art, through Jan. 31. Inventions: Recent Paintings by Caio Fonseca, through Feb. 14. 500 17th

### GALLERIES | DOTS WITH DASH



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**TINY BUBBLES:** Mira Hecht's serene yet playful paintings are gathered in an exhibition at the Ralls Collection titled, for obvious reasons, Full Circle.

St. NW; 202-639-1700.

**District Fine Arts:** Janis Goodman: Ebb and Flow, through Dec. 11. 1726 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-387-5657.

**Edison Place Gallery:** Carroll Sockwell: Am I the Best?, through Dec. 12. 701 9th St. NW; 202-872-3396.

**Folger Shakespeare Library:** Letter-Writing in Renaissance England, through April 2. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077.

**Fraser Gallery Bethesda:** Generations, through Dec. 8. 7700E Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651.

**Fraser Gallery Georgetown:** Aimee Garcia Marrero, through Dec. 15. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-298-6450.

**Freer Gallery of Art:** Religious Art of Japan, through Dec. 12. Work and Commerce in Chinese Painting, through Jan. 17. Life and Leisure: Everyday Life in Japa-

nese Painting, through Feb. 20. Luxury and Luminosity, through June 26. 12th Street and Jefferson Drive SW; 202-357-2700.

**LAST CHANCE G Fine Art:** Iona Rozeal Brown, ends Sat. 1515 14th Street, NW; 202-462-1601.

**Hillwood Museum and Gardens:** Tradition in Transition: Russian Icons in the Age of the Romanovs, through Dec. 31. 4155 Linnean Ave. NW; 202-686-5807.

**Hirshhorn Museum:** Ana Mendieta: Earth, Body, Sculpture and Performance, 1972-1985, through Jan. 2. Cai Guo-Qiang: Traveler, through April 24. Independence Avenue at 7th Street SW; 202-633-4674.

**Kathleen Ewing Gallery:** Christopher Burkett: Resplendent Light, through Jan. 8. 1609 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-328-0955.

**Library of Congress:** From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America, through Dec. 18. 10 1st St. SE; 202-707-5000.

**Marsha Mateyka Gallery:** Athena Tacha/Shields and Universes, through Dec. 18. 2012 R St. NW; 202-328-0088.

**National Building Museum:** Five Friends From Japan: Children in Japan Today, through Feb. 13. Liquid Stone: New Architecture in Concrete, through April 17. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448.

**National Gallery of Art:** All the Mighty World: The Photographs of Roger Fenton, through Jan. 2. Dan Flavin: A Retrospective, through Jan. 9. Gerard ter Bogh, through Jan. 30. Palace and Mosque: Islamic Art, through Feb. 6. Six Centuries of Prints and Drawings: Recent Acquisitions, through Feb. 21. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-737-4215.

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**National Geographic Society:** Passages: Photographs of Africa, through Jan. 9. Mapping With Paper and Pixel, through Feb. 13. 17th and M streets NW; 202-857-7588.

**National Museum of African Art:** Playful Performers, through Dec. 12; Treasures, through Aug. 15. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-4600.

**National Museum of American History:** The American Presidency: A Glorious Burden, through Dec. 31. Taking America to Lunch, through Dec. 31. MMLL: Mike McCartney's Liverpool Life, through Jan. 2. The Beatles! Backstage and Behind the Scenes, through Jan. 2. The Photography of War: World War II Photographic Perspectives, through Jan. 2. Vote! The Machinery of Democracy, through Jan. 30. Ralph Bunche: African-American/Global Citizen, through March 31. Sports, through April 7. Separate Is Not Equal: Brown v. Board of Education, through May 31. 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

**National Museum of the American Indian:** Native Modernism: George Morrison and Allan Houser, through Sept. 21. 4th Street and Jefferson Drive SW, 202-633-1000.

**National Museum of Natural History:** In Focus: National Geographic Greatest Portraits, through Jan. 2. 10th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-357-2700.

**National Museum of Women in the Arts:** Claude Raguet Hirst: Transforming the American Still Life, through Dec. 19. Transitory Patterns: Florida Women Artists, through Dec. 19. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000.

**National Zoo:** 3001 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-673-4800.

**Numark Gallery:** Chan Chao: Echo, through Dec. 18. 625 E St. NW; 202-628-3810.

**The Phillips Collection:** Calder-Miró, through Jan. 23. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

**Ralls Collection:** Mira Hecht, Full Circle, through Jan. 29. 1516 31st St. NW; 202-342-1754.

**Renwick Gallery:** Right at Home: American Studio Furniture, through Jan. 17. 17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

**S. Dillon Ripley Center:** Winograd, through Feb. 27. 1100 Jefferson Dr. SW; 202-633-1000.

**Spectrum Gallery:** As I See It: Raymond Ewing Watercolors, through Dec. 19. 1132 29th St.; 202-333-0954.

**Strand on Volta:** Brandon Morse, through Dec. 19. 1531 33rd St. NW; 202-333-4663.

**Textile Museum:** Over One, Under One, through Jan. 2. Floral Perspectives in Carpet Design, through Feb. 6. A Garden of Shawls: The Buta and Its Seed, through March 6. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441.

**Target Gallery:** Torpedo Factory Arts Center @ 30: One Juror's View, through Jan. 16. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565, ext. 4.

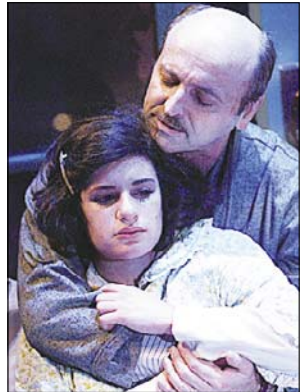
**LAST CHANCE Touchstone Gallery:** Michael A. Lang: The Hill Tribe People of Northern Thailand, ends Sun. Tory Cowles: This'll Cheer You Up, ends Sun. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787.

**LAST CHANCE Transformer Gallery:** Cryptic Communications, ends Sat. 1404 P St. NW; 202-483-1102.

**U.S. Botanic Garden:** 245 1st St. SW; 202-225-8333.

**U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum:** 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW; 202-488-0400.

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**GIRL IN TROUBLE:** Lea Michele make a particularly affecting heroine in Round House's "Diary of Anne Frank."

### STAGE

**A Broadway Christmas Carol:** through Dec. 30, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), 3 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), \$30; Round House Theatre, 8641 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; 240-644-1100.

**Carousel:** through Dec. 31, \$15-\$26. Olney Theatre Center for the Arts, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400.

**A Christmas Carol:** through Jan. 2, 2:30 p.m., (Fri. & Sat.), 7:30 p.m. (Fri.-Sun.), \$16-\$48. Ford's Theatre, 511 10th St. NW; 202-347-4833.

**Christmas Revels:** Washington Revels, through Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), \$12-\$38. GWU, Lerner Auditorium, 730 21st St. NW; 703-218-6500.

**D.C. International Improv-Plus Festival:** through Dec. 12. See www.improvfestival.com.

**The Diary of Anne Frank:** through Dec. 12, 8 p.m. (Fri.), 3 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), \$28-\$45. Round House Theatre, 7501 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 240-644-1100.

**Fit To Be Tied:** Fountainhead Theatre, through Dec. 19, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), \$20. Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run, Arlington; 703-920-5923.

**Charles Fleischer:** comedy, through Dec. 5, 10:30 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 8 p.m. (Fri.-Sun.), \$15-\$17. The Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-296-7000.

**LAST CHANCE Flow:** Will Power, ends Sun., \$43-\$46. Gazuza Bar, 1629 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-667-5500.

**Grace:** Woolly Mammoth, through Dec. 19, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 & 7 p.m. (Sun.), \$24-\$42. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 202-783-3933.

**The Highest Yellow:** through Dec. 12, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 & 7 p.m. (Sun.), \$37-\$47. Signature Theatre, 3806 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-218-6500.

**The Importance of Being Earnest:** through Dec. 26, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW, \$40-\$59; 202-488-3300.

**Ivanov:** through Dec. 12, 8 p.m., (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), 7 p.m. (Sun.), \$25-\$48. Studio Theatre, 1333 P St. NW; 202-332-3300.

**Men in Tights: A Pink Nutcracker:** Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, Fri., 8 p.m., \$15. Lincoln Theatre, 1215 U St. NW; 800-551-7328.

**Movin' Out:** through Dec. 19, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), \$40-\$85. National Theatre, 1321 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-628-6161.

**Paradise Lost:** through Dec. 18, 8 p.m. (Fri.-Sun.), \$23-\$26. Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-553-8782.

**Pericles:** through Jan. 2, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), \$23-\$68. Shakespeare Theatre, 450 7th St. NW; 202-547-1122.

**Titus Andronicus:** Washington Shakespeare Company, through Dec. 31, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), \$22-\$30. Clark Street Playhouse, 601 S. Clark St., Arlington; 703-418-4808.

**True West:** Keegan Theatre, through Dec. 18, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.) 2 p.m. (Sun.), \$25. Old Town Theater, 815 1/2 King St., Alexandria; 703-527-6000.

**Two Gentlemen of Verona:** through Dec. 19, 8 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), 2 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), 7:30 p.m. (Sun.), \$35-\$48. Folger Theatre, 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077.

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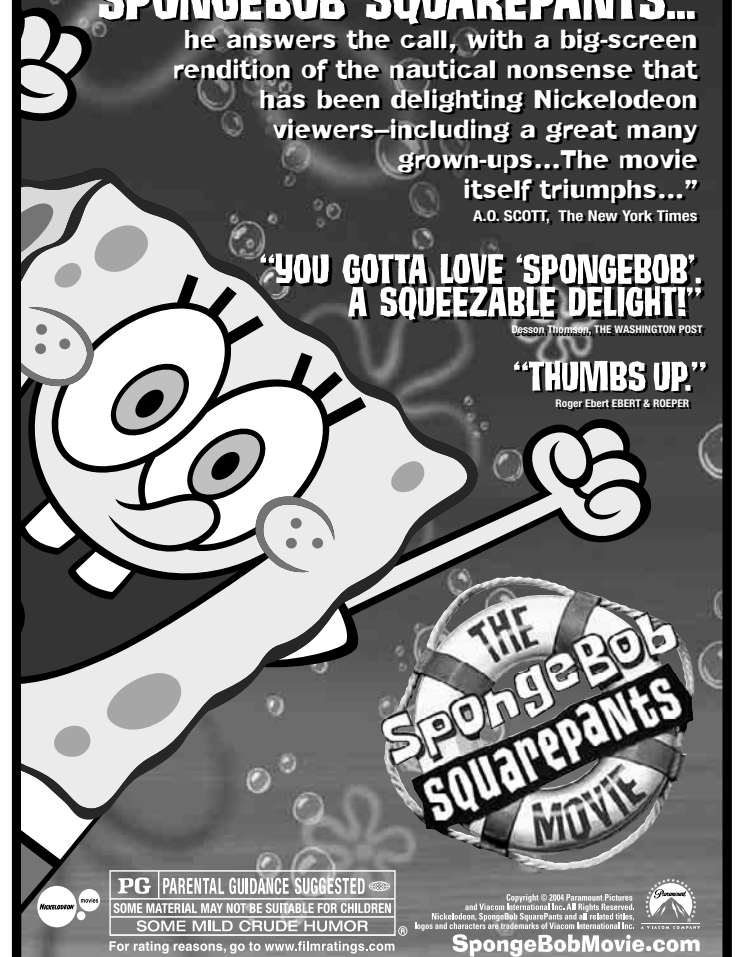
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WHO WHAT WHERE WHEN WHY

“ ... What's the difference between this show and the 24-hour flu? Twenty-three hours ...  
... Where oh where is a cable outage when you really need one ...  
... No, it doesn't make much sense, but maybe I wasn't paying close enough attention.  
Maybe I was distracted by a piece of pocket lint ... ”

Tom Shales | TV Critic  
Writing to spare you the agony.

The Washington Post

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**SWITCHING SIDES:** Michael Imperioli, who played mob soldier Christopher on "The Sopranos," will step in for Jesse L. Martin on "Law & Order" for the last few episodes of the season. Martin is skipping out to star in the big-screen "Rent."



# Television

## ON TV THIS WEEKEND

**IF HIS NOSE IS COLD, IT MEANS HE'S HEALTHY**  
Jimmy Durante narrates the 1970 animated favorite **FROSTY THE SNOWMAN** (Fri., 8 p.m., CBS), followed by **FROSTY RETURNS** (8:30 p.m., CBS), the 1995 sequel.

**A VERY SPECIAL 'DEGRASSI'**  
The Canadian high-school soap opera **DEGRASSI: THE NEXT GENERATION** (Fri., 8 p.m., Noggin/The N) tackles the topics of bullying. Things get ugly when three cruel classmates push the nerdy but brilliant star of the school's trivia team one step too far.

**RISE AND FALL**  
The sports biography series **UNTOLD** (Fri., 9 p.m., Spike) looks at the troubled life and career and unfulfilled promise of Darryl Strawberry.



**IN SEARCH OF 'REX':** 'Mind keeping your pterodactyl breath away from my laptop?'

**HELLO, MY NAME IS GLARK AND I'M A GIANT REPTILE**  
**ANONYMOUS REX** (Sat., 9 p.m., Sci-Fi) stars Daniel Baldwin and Sam Trammel

as gumshoe detectives operating on the seedy side of town. They also happen to be part of a million-year-old conspiracy to hide the fact that some dinosaurs

survived extinction and still walk among us, disguised as regular folk by means of advanced holographic technology. A genre-bending B-movie, "Rex" combines elements of "Blade Runner," "Chinatown" and "Men in Black."

**THE SCOTCH PINES ARE ALWAYS GREENER**  
**ED, EDD 'N' EDDY'S JINGLE JINGLE JANGLE** (Fri., 8 p.m., Cartoon Network). Eddy discovers his parent's secret cache of Christmas presents, opens them and finds out that they all stink. So he attempts to get adopted by a different family with better taste. After inviting himself into a series of homes, he discovers how each family celebrates the holiday in their own unique fashion.

**AND THOSE CHILI LIGHTS!**  
**HOME TO GO FOR THE HOLIDAYS** (Fri., 8 p.m., HGTV) offers tips on how to inject some youthful twists into traditional decor,

including the use of some non-traditional color schemes and advice on how to minimize the storage area required for your annual decorations.

**THIS COULD GET ... PRETTY**  
Brian Boitano, Kristi Yamaguchi, Oksana Baiul and Kurt Browning participate in the skating special **ICE WARS 2004: USA VS. THE WORLD** (Fri., 9 p.m., CBS).

**FOUNDING MAN ABOUT TOWN**  
**BEN FRANKLIN** (Sun., 9 p.m., History) profiles the most multifaceted Revolutionary War figure, an earthy, brilliant man described by historian H. W. Brands as "the one Founding Father easiest to imagine living in the 21st century."

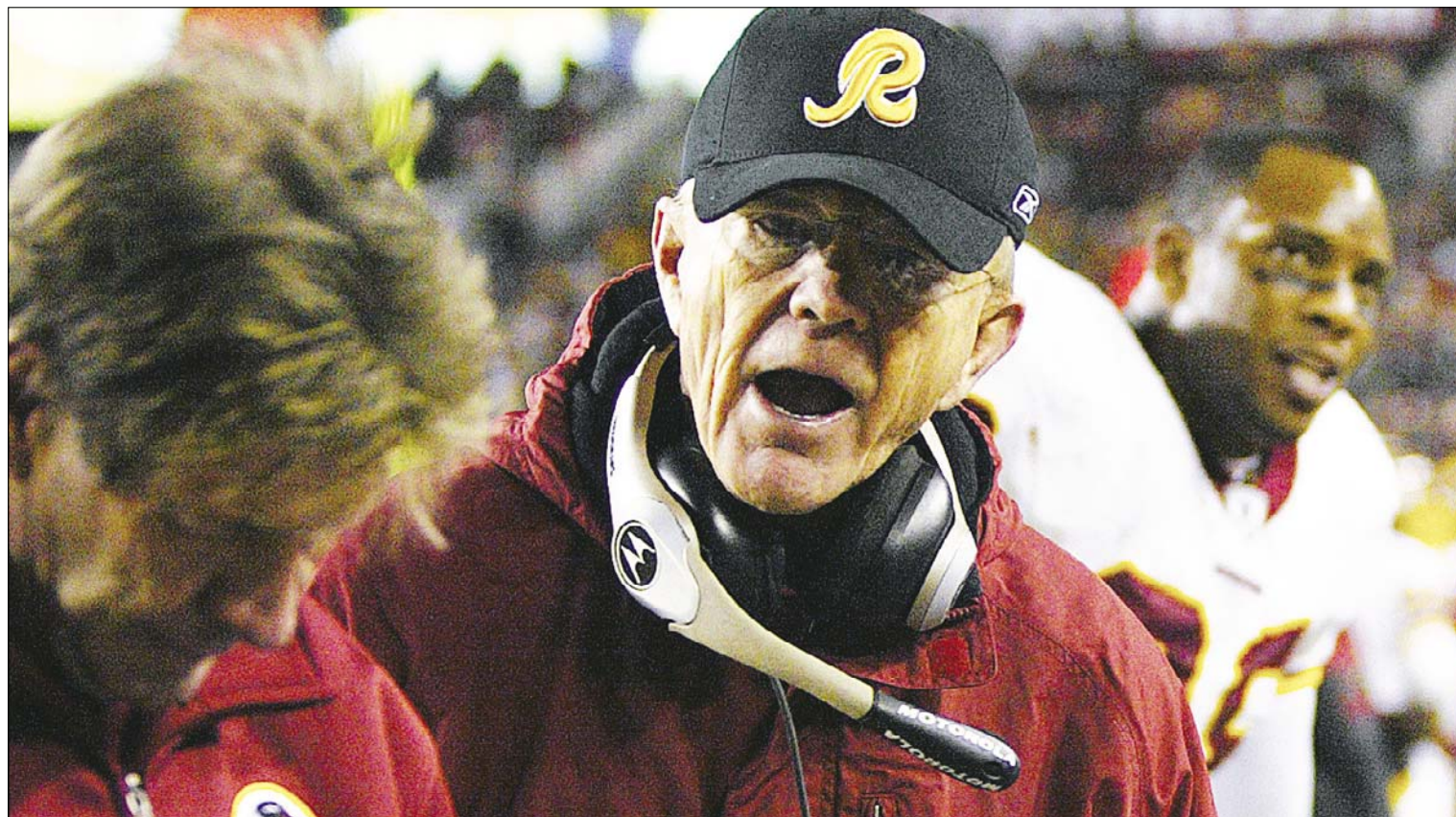
**DO THEY INVOLVE TATTOOS?**  
Punk-rock icon Henry Rollins discusses movies he likes and loathes on **HENRY'S FILM CORNER** (Sat., midnight, Independent Film Channel). **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC [4] News [CC]		NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Dateline NBC (N) [CC]		Third Watch "Rat Bastard" (N) [CC]		Medical Investigation "The Unclean"		News [CC]	The Tonight Show
	WTTG [5] The Simpsons [C]	The Simpsons [C]	Friends [C] [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]	That '70s Show	Quintuplets [CC]	Bernie Mac	Bernie Mac	News		Friends [CC]	Drew Carey
	WJLA [7] News [CC]	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	8 Simple Rules [C]	Complete Sav.	Hope & Faith (N)	Less Than Perfect	20/20 [CC]		News [CC]	(:35) Nightline
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	WDCA [20] Girlfriends [CC]	Girlfriends [CC]	Malcolm-Mid.	Malcolm-Mid.	Star Trek: Enterprise "Kir'Shara" (N)		America's Next Top Model [C] [CC]		That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Every-Raymond	Dharma & Greg
	WMPT [22] The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	Business Rpt.	State Circle	Washington Week	Wall-Fortune	Now With Bill Moyers (N) [C] [CC]		The Grateful Dead: The Closing of Winterland [C] [CC]			
	WETA [26] BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Washington Week	Tucker Carlson		Now With Bill Moyers (N) [C] [CC]		American Soundtrack: This Land Is Your Land [C] [CC]			
	WHUT [32] White House	Inside Wash.	BBC World News	MoneyWise [CC]	Evening Exchange		My Sinatra: A Musical Tribute		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley [C]	Charlie Rose (N) [C] [CC]	
BASIC CABLE	WBDC [50] The Parkers [C]	Steve Harvey	The Parkers [C]	Steve Harvey	What I Like	Grounded for Life	Reba [C] [CC]	Blue Collar TV [C]	Will & Grace [C]	Just Shoot Me [C]	Will & Grace [C]	Blind Date (N) [C]
	A&E	City Confidential [CC]	American Justice "Vanished" [CC]		Biography "Rob Reiner" Rob Reiner.		★★★ "The Princess Bride" (1987, Fantasy) Cary Elwes, Mandy Patinkin. Premiere. [CC]					American Justice
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter [CC]	Most Extreme: Bitters [CC]		Venom ER [CC]		Animal Cops Detroit [CC]		Animal Cops Detroit (N)		Venom ER [CC]	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live T.I. performance.		BET.com Count		★★ "Little Richard" (2000, Biography) Leon, Garrett Morris, Carl Lumbly.		Club Comic View Presents		BET Nightly News	BET Style	
	Bravo	"Messenger: Joan of Arc"	Inside the Actors Studio [CC]		★★★ "Reservoir Dogs" (1992, Drama) Harvey Keitel, Tim Roth, Chris Penn.		★★★ "Chinatown" (1974) Jack Nicholson, Faye Dunaway. Premiere.					
	Comedy	100 Greatest Stand-Ups [CC]	The Daily Show	Mad TV [C] [CC]		Wrl'd Stand Up	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Premium Blend	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents
	Court	Hollywood Heat	Body of Evidence	Cops [C] [CC]	Cops [C] [CC]	The Investigators	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	I, Detective	Safety Challenge "Holiday Alert"	
	Discovery	Monster Nation [CC]	American Chopper "Comanche 3"		American Casino (N)		Southern Steel "Part 1" (N)		American Hot Rod (N)		American Casino	
SPAN	DISCH	Chicago Hope "Wag the Doc" [CC]	Trauma: Life in the ER [CC]		Trauma: Life in the ER [CC]		Dr. G: Medical Examiner [CC]		Critical Hour "Awakenings" [CC]		Trauma: Life in the ER [CC]	
	Disney	Braceface [CC]	Lizzie McGuire	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	★★ "102 Dalmatians" (2000, Adventure) Glenn Close, Ioan Gruffudd. [CC]		(9:55) ★★ "102 Dalmatians" (2000) Glenn Close, Ioan Gruffudd. [CC]				
	E!	Dr. 90210	Dr. 90210	E! News (N)	Diary of an Affair	50 Most Outrageous TV Moments		Saturday Night Live [C] [CC]		Howard Stern	Howard Stern	
	FX	Fear Factor "All Gross Show" [CC]	Fear Factor "All Female Show" [CC]		Fear Factor [C] [CC]		Fear Factor [C] [CC]		Fear Factor [C] [CC]		Billionaire: Quest for Best	
	HGTV	Wknd Warriors	Landscapers	Curb Appeal	House Hunters	Home to Go for the Holidays (N)	Decorating Cents: Deck the Halls	Divine Design	Divine Design	Painted House [C]	Sensible Chic	
	Family	7th Heaven "Life and Death" [CC]	Rudolph's Shiny New Year		"The Christmas List" (1997, Drama) Mimi Rogers, Bill Switzer. [CC]		Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club [CC]			
	History	Dead Men's Secrets [CC]	Dead Men's Secrets [CC]		Heavy Metal "A-10 Tankbuster"		Battlefield Detectives (N) [CC]		Band of Brothers [C]		(:10) Modern Marvels "Camouflage"	
	Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	★★ "Holiday in Your Heart" (1997) LeAnn Rimes, Bernadette Peters. [CC]		★★ "A Town Without Christmas" (2001, Drama) Patricia Heaton. [CC] (DVS)		Merge [CC]				
SPORTS	MTV	Diary Jessica Biel.	Got a Friend	The Real World	The Real World	TRL (iTV) [C] [CC]	R. Wld Chal.	R. Wld Chal.	Pimp My Ride [C]	Got a Friend	Viva La Bam [C]	Viva La Bam [C]
	NICK	Hey Arnold! [CC]	Rugrats [C] [CC]	Jimmy Neutron	Fairly Oddparents	Danny Phantom	Teenage Robot	SpongeBob	Fairly Oddparents	Full House [CC]	Full House [CC]	Fresh Prince
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Scorched Earth" [C]	Andromeda "The Weight" [CC]		Stargate SG-1 "Sentinel" [C] [CC]		Stargate SG-1 "Icon" [C] [CC]		Stargate Atlantis "Hide and Seek" [C]		Stargate SG-1 "Icon" [C] [CC]	
	SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos [CC]	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		Untold Darryl Strawberry. (N) [C]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]	
	TBS	Seinfeld [C] [CC]	Seinfeld [C] [CC]	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Friends [C] [CC]	Friends [C] [CC]	★ "Showtime" (2002) (PA) Robert De Niro, Eddie Murphy. Premiere. [CC]		★ "Showtime" (2002) (PA) [CC]		
	TLC	Clean Sweep	In a Fix An urban oasis is created.		Clean Sweep Cluttered rooms.		What Not to Wear "Tish" (N) [CC]		What Not to Wear "Misti" [CC]		Clean Sweep Cluttered rooms.	
	TNT	Charmed "Power Outage" [C] [CC]	Law & Order "Custody" [C]		Law & Order "Under the Influence"		2004 NASCAR Nextel Cup Awards Special (Same-day Tape) [C] [CC]					
	USA	JAG "Standards of Conduct" [C]	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [C]		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [C]		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [C]		Monk [CC]		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [C]	
MOVIES	VHI	Fabulous Life Of... [C]	InsideOut "Velvet Revolver" [C]	★★ "Rock Star" (2001) Mark Wahlberg. A singer lands a gig with his heavy-metal heroes. [C]			Fabulous Life Of... [C]		Fabulous Life Of... [C]		Best Week Ever	★★ Airheads [C]
	TELEM	Corte-Pueblo	Noti-Telemndo	Anita No Te Rajes		Prisionera	Gitanas		Te Voy a Enseñar a Querer		Noticiero Tel.	Laura
	UNIV	Viviana	Noticiero Univ	La Mujer de Madera		Rubi	Amor Real		La Escuelita	Casa de la Risa	Primer Impacto	Noticiero Univ.
	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) [CC]			NBA Shootaround	NBA Basketball Detroit Pistons at San Antonio Spurs. From the SBC Center in San Antonio.			NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Sacramento Kings.			
	ESPN2	Wm. Soccer	NFL Matchup (N)	NFL Live [CC]	College Basketball Memphis at Purdue. (Live) [CC]		Boxing Friday Night Fights Main Events Special. (Live) [CC]					Karate: ISKA
	CSN	I, Max (N)	SportsNite (Live) [CC]		NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Atlanta Hawks. From Philips Arena in Atlanta. (Live)		Wizards Post.	SportsNite [CC]	Pro Ftbl Plus		Best-Sports	
	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight [CC]		Anderson Cooper 360 [CC]		Paula Zahn Now [CC]	Larry King Live Psychic detectives. (N)		NewsNight With Aaron Brown [CC]		Lou Dobbs Tonight	
	FNC	Special Report (Live) [CC]		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		Hannity & Colmes (Live) [CC]			On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
MOVIES	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) [CC]		Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Hardball [CC]		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball [CC]	
	AMC	★★ "Pet Sematary" (1989, Horror) Dale Midkiff, Fred Gwynne. 'R' [CC]				★★★ "Scream 2" (1997, Horror) David Arquette, Neve Campbell, Courtney Cox. 'R'			FilmFakers "Croc Park" [CC]		★★★ Scream 2	
	TCM	(5:45) ★★ "Air Force" (1943, Drama) John Garfield, Gig Young. 'NR' [CC]				★★★★ "Rio Grande" (1950, Western) John Wayne, Ben Johnson. 'NR' [CC]		★★★ "3 Godfathers" (1948, Western) John Wayne, Ward Bond. 'NR' [CC]				
	HBO	Real Sports [C] [CC]		Inside the NFL [C] [CC]		★★★ "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World" (2003) Russell Crowe. 'PG-13' [CC]			Family Bonds [C]	Real Sex Xtra	Chris Rock	
	MAX	(4:30) No Mercy	★★★ "Matchstick Men" (2003) Nicolas Cage. Premiere. [C] [PG-13] [CC]			★★ "National Security" (2003) Martin Lawrence. 'PG-13'		★★ "Bad Boys II" (2003, Action) Martin Lawrence, Will Smith. [C] [R] [CC]				
	SHOW	(:15) ★★ "Barbershop" (2002, Comedy) Ice Cube. iTV. [C] [PG-13] [CC]				★★ "Blind Horizon" (2004) Val Kilmer. 'R' [CC]		(:45) ★★ "Tombstone" (1993, Western) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. iTV Premiere. [C] [R] [CC]				
	TMC	(:15) ★★ "For Keeps" (1988, Drama) Molly Ringwald. [C] [PG-13] [CC]				★ "World Traveler" (2001, Drama) Billy Crudup. 'R' [CC]		(:45) ★★ "The Big Chill" (1983, Drama) Tom Berenger. [C] [R] [CC]				Miami Blues 'R'
	STARZ!	While-Sleeping	(:35) ★★ "The Missing" (2003, Western) Tommy Lee Jones, Cate Blanchett. [C] [R] [CC]			★★ "Radio" (2003, Drama) Cuba Gooding Jr., Ed Harris. [C] [PG] [CC]			"Lord of the Rings: The Return"			
ENCORE		(:05) ★★ "Jagged Edge" (1985, Drama) Glenn Close, Jeff Bridges. 'R' [CC]				★★ "XXX" (2002, Action) Vin Diesel, Asia Argento. [C] [PG-13] [CC]			(:10) ★ "Friday After Next" (2002) Ice Cube. [C] [R] [CC]			Harlem Nights 'R'

# Weekend <sup>Sports</sup>

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**ANSWER MAN:** With a 3-8 record, Redskins coach Joe Gibbs is fending off a report that he will resign as head coach at the end of the season due to his health.

## First and Long

A disappointing season has the Redskins' Gibbs facing tough questions

**REDSKINS** | As a coach, Joe Gibbs is in the Hall of Fame. As a team president, he's a mere rookie. Like most rookies, he has mixed results to show for his work.

"My assessing myself comes down to wins and losses," the Washington Redskins coach said. "Not real good, right now."

Two issues have dominated the talk at Redskins Park this week as Gibbs struggles with a 3-8 record: Would the coach be better off with a general manager, and will he coach next year?

The second question stems from an ESPN report that said Gibbs, a 64-year-old diabetic, would possi-

bly step down as coach at the end of the season for health reasons. Gibbs is so tired of denying the report that he is questioning the professionalism of the reporting involved.

"If I would have worried about that [report], I'd probably be in the nuthouse," Gibbs said. "You'd think there'd be more professionalism in the reporting of things."

Even so, Gibbs has declined to be definitive about his return, always adding the caveat that it is his "intention" to do so.

The GM question is more intriguing. During his first run, Gibbs had Bobby Beathard and later Charley Casserly. There were

disagreements, but no one could disagree with the results.

In this go-round, Gibbs has final authority over player selection and works with owner Dan Snyder and vice president of football operations Vinny Cerrato.

The acquisitions under the most scrutiny are Mark Brunell, Clinton Portis, Mike Barrow and Sean Taylor. Brunell is now benched; Portis' carries have diminished in recent weeks; Barrow hasn't played because of a knee injury and Taylor has played well, but his off-the-field troubles hardly fit the profile of the "true Redskin."

There have been some successes

**Redskins**  
Keys to the Game



**DEC. 5:** vs. NY Giants  
4:15 p.m. (Fox)

→ **USE PORTIS:** Enough of benching the star running back. Clinton Portis is the team's best weapon.

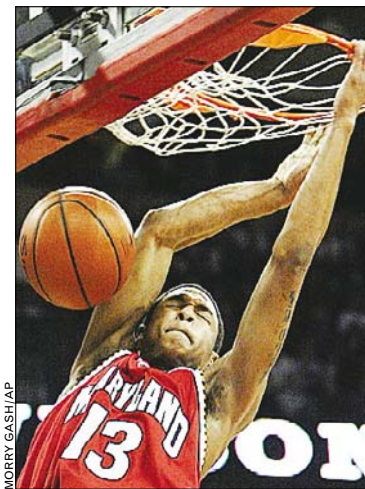
→ **SACK HAPPY:** Rookie quarterback Eli Manning should be a prime target for the blitz-happy defense.

→ **TOUCHDOWNS, PLEASE:** It's time for the offense to finally break the 18 points-or-less streak.

from the offseason, including defensive lineman Cornelius Griffin, H-back Chris Cooley and linebacker Marcus Washington

"When you analyze what we did in the offseason, I think it's darn good," Gibbs said. "Do we have a core group of guys here? Yeah."

JOSEPH WHITE (AP)



Chris McCray slam dunks on Tuesday.

→ **BRANCHING OUT:** Is there any college football game better than Army vs. Navy? This year's game takes place in Philadelphia on Saturday (2:30 p.m. on CBS).

→ **ACC TITLE GAME:** Former Big East rivals Virginia Tech and Miami play for the ACC championship in Miami on Saturday (1 p.m. on ABC).

→ **MAGIC START:** The Wizards can improve to 10-5 with victories over the Atlanta Hawks on Friday (7:30 p.m. on Comcast) and the Chicago Bulls on Saturday (8 p.m. on Comcast).

→ **REUNION:** Former Ravens defen-



Marvin Lewis

sive coordinator Marvin Lewis leads his Cincinnati Bengals against the banged-up Baltimore Ravens on Sunday (1 p.m. on CBS).

**MEMORABILIA** | **Going, Going, Gone** The massive 46-ounce Louisville Slugger used by Babe Ruth to drill the first home run in Yankee Stadium history was sold for a record \$1.26 million Thursday to an unidentified private collector. The bat, billed as "The Holy Grail of sports memora-



bilia," sold after about one minute of bidding at Sotheby's auction house. It was only the third piece of sports memorabilia to break the \$1 million mark at auction, joining Mark McGwire's 70th home run ball (\$3 million) and a 1909 Honus Wagner baseball card (\$1.265 million). (AP)

# Lightning in a Bottle

Surprising Chargers can keep division lead with win over Broncos

**NFL PICKS** | The San Diego Chargers didn't expect to be leading the AFC West at this point in the season. And the Denver Broncos probably didn't expect to be trailing the Chargers in the standings.

But that's where the Broncos are, a game behind the NFL's most positive surprise, as they head to San Diego for Sunday's NFC West showdown.

The Chargers are favored by three points over a team that beat them 23-13 in Week 3. Since then, San Diego has won seven of eight, including its current five-game winning streak.

Despite that, Denver could effectively take the division lead with a win, which would give them a two-game sweep and the tiebreaker over the Chargers.

The Chargers (8-3) were in a similar position in 2002.



San Diego tight end Antonio Gates scores in last week's win over the Chiefs.

"I know what happened two years ago," quarterback Drew Brees says. "We were sitting here at 8-4 thinking, 'Well, if we just win half of our next four games, we're in the playoffs,' and we lose four straight."

The Broncos have been erratic. The Chargers have been consistent, especially on offense, where they are second in the NFL with 29 points per game. **CHARGERS, 32-28.**

DAVE GOLDBERG (AP)

## Name That Score

More picks from the AP:

**Eagles (minus 6)** 31, Packers 21  
**Bucs (minus 1)** 19, Falcons 27  
**Seahawks (minus 7)** 21, Cowboys 17  
**Jags (plus 3)** 16, Steelers 14  
**Patriots (minus 8)** 58, Browns 3  
**Colts (minus 10.5)** 27, Titans 20  
**Jets (minus 6.5)** 20, Texans 16  
**Ravens (minus 6.5)** 20, Bengals 9  
**Giants (plus 2)** 3, Redskins 2  
**Raiders (off)** 32, Chiefs 21

# Teams Vie for BCS Spots

**COLLEGE PICKS** | Going into the final week of the regular season, only one team is set for a specific spot in the Bowl Championship Series.

Michigan will play in the Rose Bowl. Everything else will be put in place Saturday in six games involving eight ranked teams.

First up will be Pittsburgh trying to wrap up the Big East's automatic bid to the BCS against South Florida in a game rescheduled because of a hurricane.

About two hours later the former beasts of the Big East, Miami and Virginia Tech, play for the ACC crown.

Then the national championship contend-

ers begin their final push toward the Orange Bowl.

Southern California (11-0) plays crosstown rival UCLA, starting at 4:30 EST. The Trojans are in first place in the BCS standings and have locked up a BCS berth as Pac-10 champs. Just about when the Trojans and Bruins are heading to halftime, Auburn and Tennessee kick off the Southeastern Conference title game in Atlanta.

The Tigers (11-0) are third in the BCS standings and probably need a loss by USC or Oklahoma to get to the Orange Bowl.

Then, Oklahoma and Colorado get going in the Big 12 title game. The Sooners win and they're off to play for a national title

for the second straight year.

## THIS WEEK'S PICKS:

**Army (plus 13) vs. Navy**  
 Mids have won two straight by a combined 92-18. **ARMY 30-29.**

**No. 1 Southern California (minus 22) at UCLA**  
 USC has won five straight against the Bruins. **USC 48-21.**

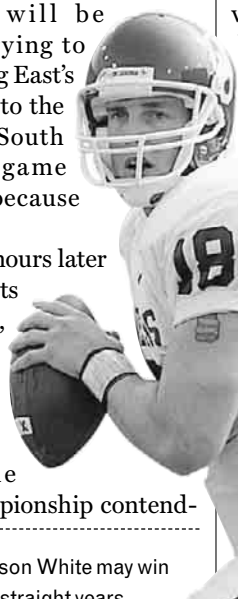
**No. 2 Oklahoma (minus 21 1/2) vs. Colorado**  
 No Sooner slip-up this year. **OKLAHOMA 40-17.**

**No. 3 Auburn (minus 13) vs. No. 15 Tennessee**  
 Much like first meeting. **AUBURN 30-13.**

**No. 10 Virginia Tech (plus 7) at No. 9 Miami**  
 Hokies' Frank Beamer could be coach of the year. **VIRGINIA TECH 24-21.**

**No. 19 Pittsburgh (minus 7) at South Florida**  
 Pitt saves Big East possible embarrassment of sending Syracuse to BCS. **PITTSBURGH 24-14.**

RALPH D. RUSSO (AP)



Oklahoma QB Jason White may win the Heisman two straight years.

TONY GUTIERREZ/AP

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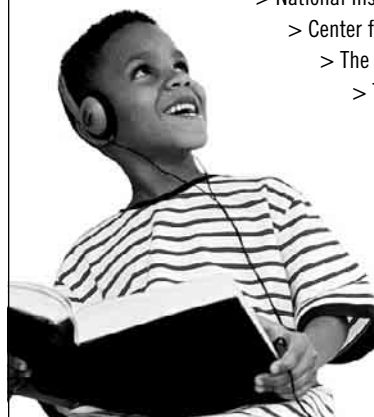
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AFTER: Ricky Williams is taking a course in a holistic medicine in California.

# Living the High Life

Retired running back Williams turns down NFL deal for comeback

FOOTBALL | This could be it for Ricky Williams. He just doesn't want to play football.

The 2002 NFL rushing champion rejected a deal to serve a four-game drug suspension this season and return to the field next year. He'll stay retired instead, and his lawyer, David Cornwell, doesn't believe Williams will play again.

"Ricky indicated to me that he is no longer interested in resuming his career at this time," Cornwell



BEFORE: The 2002 NFL rushing champ.

said in a statement e-mailed to The Associated Press on Thursday.

The 1998 Heisman Trophy winner needed to let the league know his decision by Thursday so he could be moved from the retired list to

the suspended list by the deadline. He would have served the suspension for the Miami Dolphins' final four games, starting Dec. 12 at Denver.

Those terms included a promise Williams would play next season and re-enter the NFL drug program immediately. He would have been tested on a regular basis.

Williams, 27, stunned his team by retiring shortly before Miami opened training camp in July.

He is now enrolled in a 17-month course at the California College of Ayurveda in Grass Valley, Calif., studying holistic medicine.

TIM REYNOLDS (AP)

## Quarterbacks Grab Spotlight

Randall leads Va. Tech against Berlin, Miami for ACC championship

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Virginia Tech's Bryan Randall and Miami's Brock Berlin finally have emerged from their predecessors' shadows.

After breaking the 1,000-yard mark both rushing and passing in each of his final two high school seasons, Randall drew comparisons to electrifying former Hokies starter Michael Vick — who did things that Randall, even as good as he is, cannot.

Berlin's task also was overwhelming. He replaced Ken Dorsey, somebody who went 38-2 as a starter, left with Miami records for career touchdown passes, passing yards, attempts, completions and victories, plus won a national championship.

Lofty standards, indeed. Chasing ghosts often frustrated senior quarterbacks Randall and Berlin.

Neither won a national title, but one will exit the Orange Bowl on Saturday with a chance to play in a Bowl Championship Series game and perhaps the league's player of the year award.

No. 10 Virginia Tech (9-2, 6-1) visits No. 9 Miami (8-2, 5-2) on Saturday afternoon, renewing what's evolving into one of college



Bryan Randall may not be Michael Vick, but he has the Hokies leading the ACC.

football's fiercest rivalries. The programs spent the last decade battling for top honors in the Big East, and one will cap its inaugural ACC season with a title and a spot in the BCS.

"It's real satisfying to come along and have a successful season like this after all the stuff I've been through the last couple years and all the work I've put in," Randall said.

"It's a big matchup, a big game for us and them too," Berlin said. "You couldn't really ask for a better game than this, two Big East teams coming together and playing for the ACC championship." TIM REYNOLDS (AP)



Berlin replaced Ken Dorsey at Miami.

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# A Brand New Day

## Wizards defy history with strong start to year

**WIZARDS** | Before Eddie Jordan coached his first game for the Washington Wizards last year, it was assumed his success would be tied to former No. 1 overall pick Kwame Brown.

Unfortunately for Jordan, that proved true last season. Brown and the Wizards showed flashes of brilliance, but the forward averaged just 10.9 points a game and the team finished 25-57.

How much has changed in a year — so far.

By the time Brown suited for the first time this season Wednesday

night, Washington had a 7-5 record. And following a 95-68 blowout over the New Jersey Nets, the Wizards — who haven't made the playoffs since 1997 — have a shot at improving to 10-5 this weekend with games against the Atlanta Hawks (2-12) and Chicago Bulls (2-10).

"We really have confidence that we can be one of the top teams in the East," Jordan said.

What's the difference?

The obvious answer is Antawn Jamison, who is averaging 23.2 points and 9.4 rebounds a game.

Then there are guards Larry

Hughes and Gilbert Arenas. Hughes recorded a triple-double in a win over the Toronto Raptors last Sunday. The enigmatic Arenas hasn't been a distraction off the court, and on the court, he is averaging 21.6 points and 5.5 assists a game.

As for Brown, he was ejected late in Wednesday's game. But — for the first time in his career — the focus isn't on his lack of development and is rather focused on Washington's fast start.

"The good thing is that there is no pressure," Brown said. I'm here to help because these guys were getting it done without me."

MATT SWENSON (EXPRESS)



The Wizards' Kwame Brown, center, fights for a rebound in Wednesday's win over New Jersey. It was the first time that the forward had played this year due to injury.

# Fratello Party

## 'Little Hubie' takes over for Brown as Grizzlies' head coach

**NBA** | Mike Fratello was hired as coach of the Memphis Grizzlies on Thursday, leaving the TV booth and replacing friend and mentor Hubie Brown, who retired last week for health reasons.

Fratello, sometimes known as "Little Hubie" when he worked as an assistant for Brown, coached the Atlanta Hawks for eight seasons and the Cleveland Cavaliers for six before going into sports broadcasting. He is the Grizzlies' seventh head coach.

"Today is the beginning of a new day for all of us," Grizzlies president

Jerry West said. "We want to get back to where we feel good about ourselves."

Fratello said Brown wished him well and offered to give advice when asked.

"I am inheriting a team that knows organization, that knows discipline and plays unselfishly," Fratello said on Thursday. "That is a great head start."



Fratello

Brown, 71, was coach of the year last season and was the NBA's oldest coach when he retired last week. He declined to give details on his health, but said he was not seriously ill.

WOODY BAIRD (AP)

## NHL, Union Agree To Re-Start Talks

**HOCKEY** | The NHL and the players' association will resume talks next week in an effort to end the 78-day lockout and save the season.

After nearly three months of silence on and off the ice, the sides agreed Thursday to meet in Toronto on Dec. 9.

Those plans were made after players' association executive direc-

tor Bob Goodenow sent a letter to NHL commissioner Gary Bettman on Thursday, inviting the league back to the negotiating table.

No official talks have occurred since Sept. 9, when the union made its last offer. The most recent offer by the NHLPA was a luxury tax-based deal that was rejected by the league, and the lockout began one week later.

As of Thursday, 334 regular-season games, plus the 2005 All-Star game, have been wiped out. (AP)

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# Giambi Admits Doping

BASEBALL | Jason Giambi's reported testimony that he used steroids might jeopardize his \$120 million contract with the New York Yankees and allow baseball commissioner Bud Selig to discipline him.

Giambi said he injected himself with human growth hormone in 2003 and used steroids for at least three seasons, according to a grand jury transcript reviewed by the San Francisco Chronicle.

His testimony last December, before a federal grand jury investigating illegal steroid distribution, contradicts his public proclamations that he never used performance-enhancing drugs.

Penalties for steroid use in baseball began in 2003, but testing that identified players didn't start until the next season. Human growth hormone, or hGH, is not specifically banned by the major leagues.

While discipline is spelled out for



Jason Giambi suffered from a mysterious illness and missed most of last season.

positive tests and criminal convictions, admission of steroid use is not addressed, possibly giving Selig an opening to punish Giambi.

New York still owes Giambi \$82 million, but might be able to get out of the deal. They could argue Giambi's use of steroids violated his

contract, allowing them to terminate it; violated the guarantee language of the deal, allowing them to release him at a fraction of the remaining money; or caused him to be injured or unavailable, meaning he was paid at a time when he was at less than full strength. RONALD BLUM (AP)

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## Entertainment

### Years after ABC exec's memo, TV theme songs near extinction

A decade ago, after Ted Harbert had been accused of killing the television theme song, he put together a tape he called Ted's All-Time Favorite Theme Songs. He still has copies, with full-length tracks of such classics as "Mission: Impossible."

Harbert hasn't updated the cassette. He hasn't had to.

"Theme songs are not a top priority for people" in television, said Harbert, the former chairman of ABC Entertainment. During his tenure there, he issued his infamous "No more theme songs" memo.

Not all shows have given up on themes. And Tuesday night, in fact, one of the classic — or most annoying — theme songs in TV history was heard again when "The Real Gilligan's Island" made its debut on TBS. That song, which served to introduce the cast ("With Gilligan,

the skipper too, the millionaire and his wife") and outline the premise of the original "Gilligan's Island," was updated for the new reality show by Grammy-nominated Bowling for Soup.

But the theme song is dying. Once a siren's call that heralded the beginning of a show and drew people to the TV set from all over the house, the theme song is fast

# The Music's Over

going the way of Harbert's cassette tapes. Sitcoms have ditched theme songs in favor of a few bars of music that play while the title flashes on the screen.

Network executives point to several causes of death: There are more commercials, leaving less time for programs. The first thing to go is often the theme song. It's costly to hire a composer to write a song and pay the residuals. Viewers have shorter attention spans and won't

sit through theme songs.

Anyone who has clapped along to the "Friends" theme song can feel the loss. TV shows are made better by good theme songs and remembered more fondly for them. Think of "Cheers," with its "Where Everybody Knows Your Name."

"The best of them really did capture the essence of the show," said Gary Portnoy, who co-wrote and sang the "Cheers" theme. "It was a constant, and it was

a familiar friend."

Portnoy stopped writing theme song music because the time allotted to the songs kept shrinking.

"They went from asking for 60 seconds to 40 seconds to 20 seconds, and then 'Seinfeld' came along and it was bada-bip, bada-bip," he said. "Nowadays, I truly believe they are looking to get the TV theme over with so they can sell more advertising."

STEPHEN KIEHL (THE BALTIMORE SUN)

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## Richard Leiby

## Reliable Source

**RICHARD LEIBY**, the Post's Reliable Source, was online Thursday to discuss naming babies, Christmas gifting and snow flurries | [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://washingtonpost.com/liveonline)

What is up with Julia Roberts and those baby names? I actually don't mind "Phinnaeus" because he can go by "Finn," which is mucho macho. "Hazel," though, is indefensible, particularly when there are so many lovely names for girls that she could have chosen — like "Ashley" or "Mary-Kate."

Baby naming in celebrity land — a topic explored by Style's Paul Fahri earlier this week — is part of the overall cultural obsession to make our children unique extensions of ourselves.

When my twins were born I seriously considered the names "Powell" and "Natalya." I wanted classy, boutique names, perfumed by my obvious sophistication. But then I realized how stupid and vain that was. So we named them Paul and Julia.

During the holiday season, do you receive gifts (i.e., truffles, Blackberrys, humidors, velvet smoking jackets) from PR flacks hoping for a mention of their clients in your column? Does the Post have a policy on its reporters and colum-

nists accepting such gifts?

All swag is strictly verboten around here. High & Mighty Editors issue proclamations every year reminding us minions not to accept any booze, gewgaws, diamond cuff links or smoked sausages. (And I love those all-meat gift baskets, if you must know.) If free stuff comes in, we donate it to the homeless.

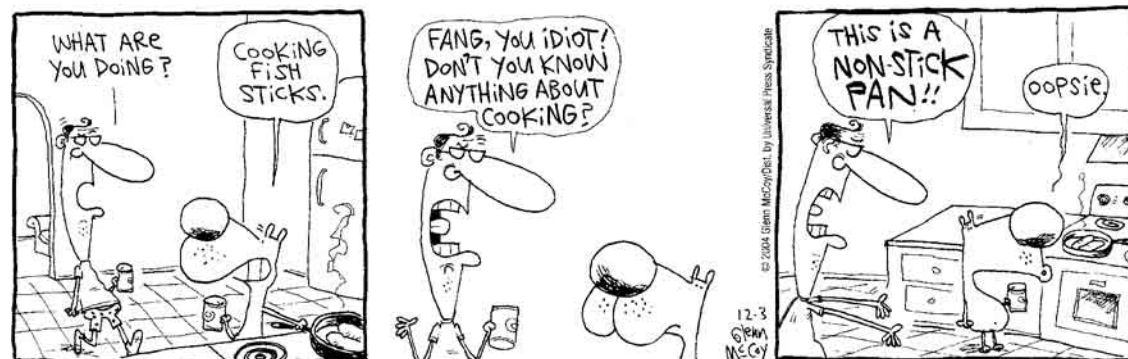
Since the weather people are calling for a possible snow flurry Friday night, other than the usual toilet paper and bread, what else does the "Mighty One" recommend? A 30-pack of Bud Light? A gallon of Jack?

If flurries do develop, I urge you to have on hand a good supply of Thorazine, tequila and raw pineal gland. To paraphrase Dr. Hunter S. Thompson: "I'm not endorsing severe self-medicating in the event of snow flurries, but it always worked for me."

### → Today on Live Online

**2 P.M.:** Stars of "Movin' Out" talk about the Tony Award-winning musical now playing at the National Theatre.

### The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



### Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis



## Letters

### Marriage: A Matter of Trust

**IN RESPONSE TO** the story "More Americans Delaying 'I Do'" in Thursday's Express: It is true that more young people are focusing on education and careers, but I

think the main reason marriages are declining is because of a lack of trust between partners. When you think about it, most guys would not risk having to cut half of their paychecks to an ex-wife for the rest of their lives if things didn't work out.

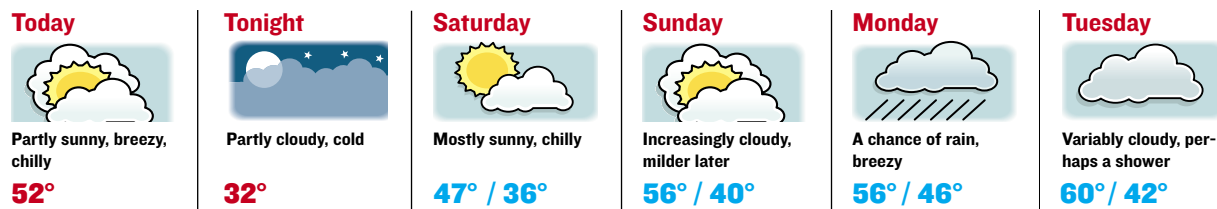
—GUS CHAKALAKIS  
Washington, D.C.

### Bravo for Holiday Combos

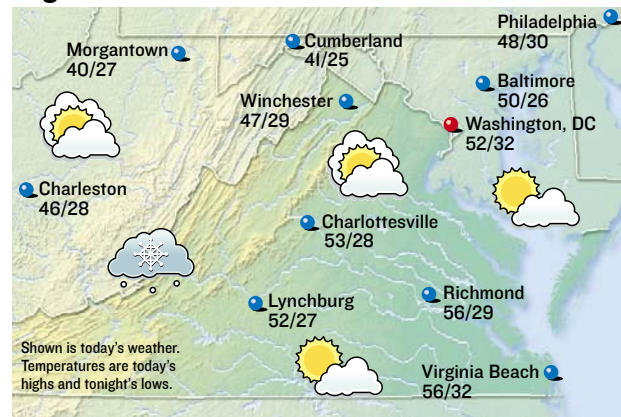
**DESPITE SOME** individuals' desire to use holidays to exclude, many would rather see them bring people together. Chrismukkah or other combinations are excellent ways to overcome differences and promote the true values of the holiday season.

—PRESTON JACOBS  
Arlington, Va.

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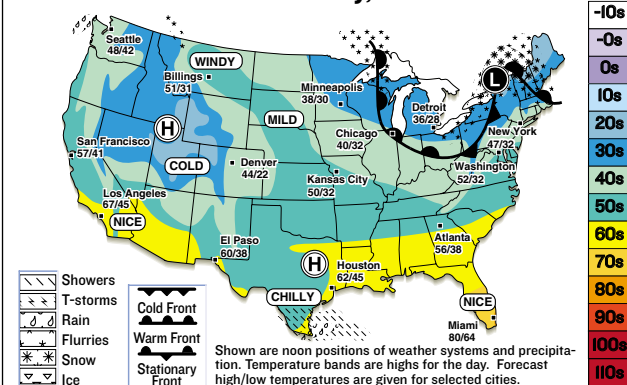
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Moonset today ..... 12:16 p.m.



### National Weather for Friday, December 3



### National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
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Chicago	40/32/pc	46/34/pc
Dallas	60/39/pc	55/49/pc
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Honolulu	85/72/pc	84/71/pc
Los Angeles	67/45/s	65/45/pc
Miami	80/64/pc	78/68/pc
New York City	47/32/sh	44/36/pc
Orlando	72/44/pc	72/54/pc
Seattle	48/42/r	46/36/r

### World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
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Athens	69/54/pc	67/53/pc
Berlin	38/31/pc	39/35/c
Buenos Aires	81/61/t	77/59/pc
Calgary	49/25/c	27/6/sn
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## People

### RETURNS

#### Another Veteran Sucked Back Into Series Television

**CANDICE BERGEN** is joining her first prime-time TV series since "Murphy Brown," this time as a cast member of ABC's "Boston Legal." Bergen will join "Legal" stars James Spader and William Shatner, playing Shirley Schmidt, a founding partner of the show's focal law firm. In the early '90s, the actress won five Emmys and two Golden Globes for her performance on "Murphy Brown." She starts on "Legal," a David E. Kelley-created spinoff of "The Practice," in January. (AP)



### AILING

#### 'Law & Order' Cop Orbach Diagnosed With Cancer

"Law & Order" actor **JERRY ORBACH** has been diagnosed with prostate cancer, his manager said. "We expect he'll be fine. He's been playing golf, shooting his episodes and doing real well," manager Robert Malcolm told the New York Daily News for Thursday editions. Orbach, 69, starred for 12 seasons in the original "Law & Order" series, but left to head the spin-off "Law & Order: Trial by Jury," set to debut next year. Malcom said Orbach has been receiving treatment since spring, but declined to discuss how advanced the illness is. (AP)



STEFANO RELLANDINI/REUTERS

### FAREWELLS

## Two Tenors to Go

**LUCIANO PAVAROTTI**, long a giant in the opera world, has signed a contract for a 40-date worldwide farewell tour. The 69-year-old, whose tenor voice has filled opera halls for more than four decades, has sold more than 100 million albums and has done much to popularize his craft, including a tour with Placido Domingo and Jose Carreras as "The Three Tenors." (AP)

### TRIBUTES

#### Music Created to Honor Queen Mother; Our Choice for Title: 'Hum for Mum'

A new 27-minute classical music piece has been commissioned to pay tribute to **QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER**. Prince Charles' office said Thursday that a British composer crafted the piece, called "Reflections on a Scottish Folksong," at the request of the prince, who is apparently taking conducting lessons, Reuters reported. The Queen Mum, as she was affectionately called, was the wife of King George VI and mother of Queen Elizabeth. She died in 2002 at the age of 101. (EXPRESS)

Mum's the word behind a new song honoring the Queen Mother.



JONATHAN EVANS/REUTERS

### QUOTED

#### Dylan Never Planned to Be Prophet, Savior Or Unintelligible

**BOB DYLAN** says we've got him all wrong. During his first television interview in 19 years, the iconic singer-songwriter tells CBS' "60 Minutes" that plaudits calling him a generational spokesman make him skittish. "I never wanted to be a prophet or a savior," Dylan says, according to a Reuters report. "My stuff — [they] were songs, they weren't sermons. If you examine the songs, I don't believe you're going to



ROGELIO SOLIS/AP

When Dylan speaks, America listens — carefully and with a confused look.

find anything in there that says I'm a spokesman for anybody or anything, really." (EXPRESS)

### MALKOVICH

#### Being Gustav Klimt

**JOHN MALKOVICH** will play the lead in a movie about the life of Austrian painter Gustav Klimt, producers said Thursday. The movie, titled "Klimt," depicts the life of the famous art nouveau painter whose masterpieces include the painting "The Kiss." Shooting for the movie will begin

Jan. 4 in Vienna, the film's lead producer, epo-film, said in a statement.



Malkovich eagerly accepted the offer to play Klimt, said Susanne Biro, an epo-film official. "He was our first choice," she said, adding, "He physically resembles Klimt." (AP)

### SUGE AND SPICE

#### Wrong Place, Wrong Time Near the Wrong Guy

Police and probation officials have been reviewing video of the melee at the Vibe Awards show to determine if **MARION "SUGE" KNIGHT** played a role in the altercation. The rap producer has denied any involvement in the incident in which a man struck Dr. Dre twice, sparking a brawl in which the attacker was stabbed and seriously injured. Knight was sitting a few feet behind Dre at the time of the attack. The conditions for Knight's parole ban him from having any contact with Dre. (AP)

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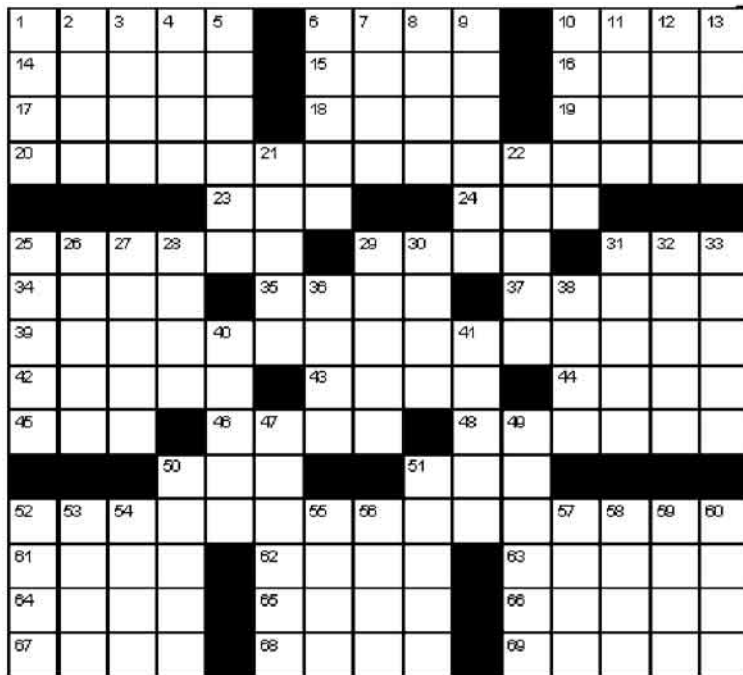
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### ACROSS

1 Drifting above  
6 Great number  
10 Basketballs, but not footballs, e.g.  
14 Hermit  
15 What she is in Madrid  
16 Passion  
17 Computer timesaver  
18 Invasion date  
19 Bancroft of "The Graduate"  
20 An oboe, perhaps?  
23 Were now?  
24 Mature acorn  
25 Certain former senior  
29 He was Bjorn to serve?  
31 Baden-Baden, e.g.  
34 Novelist Jaffe  
35 Lanky  
37 Language for the masses  
39 Grocery shopper's claim?  
42 First-rate  
43 Medicinal herb  
44 Diet section word  
45 D.C. time  
46 Cinematic explorer Jones, for short  
48 Some game sites  
50 Eastern title  
51 Had something  
52 Stuffing the onion?  
61 Strike zone?  
62 Nautical

### DOWN

63 Carpenter who sang  
64 Related  
65 Kettle or snare  
66 Author Zola  
67 Barber's call  
68 Sounds of unhappiness  
69 Needs another way?  
1 \_\_\_\_ mater  
2 Kind of shark  
3 Single time  
4 Nonflowering plant  
5 Type of horse  
6 Color over  
7 Last name in classic TV sitcoms  
8 Love handles, really  
9 Twelfth U.S. president  
10 South-central mountain range  
11 Mr. Descartes  
12 Downfall  
13 Vehicle on runners  
21 Speechify  
22 American symbol  
25 Get up  
26 Activity center  
27 Not appropriate or suitable  
28 Pride of lions?  
29 Type of goat  
30 Informed about  
31 Mug  
32 Michelangelo sculpture



33 Pays to play  
36 Word with master or waiter  
38 Equal to the task  
40 Mrs. Odin  
41 Moor  
47 Water nymphs of mythology  
49 Stank  
50 Word with secret or press  
51 Smashable items  
52 Scheme  
53 George or Victoria  
54 Alternative to

Windows  
55 Successor to Claudius  
56 Food on the ranch  
57 Like a poor excuse  
58 Ireland, poetically  
59 Congers  
60 Dummy's perch

### Yesterday's Solution



## Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** You're likely to attract a great deal of attention — just by being yourself. Your charisma is increasing.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** The truth is that you're not to be satisfied by limiting yourself to one or two choices. If it's available to you, then you want it all.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** You know just how to make someone feel good about him or herself, and you'll have the

chance to make a new friend this way.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** Someone may be trying to get a little too close to you for your taste. Don't let this go on too long; talk about it now — and avoid a crisis.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Are you really prepared for the kind of commitment you're currently considering? Remember, what you do will affect others, so think things through.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Your cultivated, easygoing manner may cover up underlying tension for a while, but eventually a friend will see through the veneer.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Give your word only when you know you can keep it. Now is no time to risk your credibility.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You know

what you want — but do you know what you don't want? Knowing the difference will make the difference in the future.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You'll be relying on your practical side all day long. Avoid letting your imagination get the better of you — particularly after dark.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** You can do much to improve your record at the workplace simply by focusing on those things that are truly within your grasp.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Your interest in the affairs of others heat up. You can learn something that will affect your overall point of view.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** You may be hiding things unnecessarily. Don't waste time keeping secrets from those who are, after all, on your side.

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